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Rules appearing under this heading are filed under the authority granted by section 536.025, RSMo 2000. An emergency rule may be adopted by an agency if the agency finds that an immediate danger to the public health, safety or welfare, or a compelling governmental interest requires emergency action; follows procedures best calculated to assure fairness to all interested persons and parties under the circumstances; follows procedures which comply with the protections extended by the *Missouri* and the *United States Constitutions*; limits the scope of such rule to the circumstances creating an emergency and requiring emergency procedure, and at the time of or prior to the adoption of such rule files with the secretary of state the text of the rule together with the specific facts, reasons and findings which support its conclusion that there is an immediate danger to the public health, safety or welfare which can be met only through the adoption of such rule and its reasons for concluding that the procedure employed is fair to all interested persons and parties under the circumstances.

Rules filed as emergency rules may be effective not less than ten (10) days after filing or at such later date as may be specified in the rule and may be terminated at any time by the state agency by filing an order with the secretary of state fixing the date of such termination, which order shall be published by the secretary of state in the *Missouri Register* as soon as practicable.

All emergency rules must state the period during which they are in effect, and in no case can they be in effect more than one hundred eighty (180) calendar days or thirty (30) legislative days, whichever period is longer. Emergency rules are not renewable, although an agency may at any time adopt an identical rule under the normal rulemaking procedures.

Title 9—DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH Division 10—Director, Department of Mental Health Chapter 31—Reimbursement for Services

EMERGENCY RULE

9 CSR 10-31.030 Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded Federal Reimbursement Allowance

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the formula to determine the Federal Reimbursement Allowance for each Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR) operated primarily for the care and treatment of mental retardation/developmental disabilities. This rule applies to both private ICF/MRs and ICF/MR facilities operated by the Department of Mental Health and requires these facilities to pay for the privilege of engaging in the business of providing ICF/MR services to individuals in Missouri.

EMERGENCY STATEMENT: During the 94th General Assembly, HCS for SCS for Senate Bill 1081 was passed with an emergency clause providing for an early effective date upon its passage and approval. This legislation was signed into law June 25, 2008. Beginning July 1, 2008, each ICF/MR service provider is required to pay assessments on their net operating revenues for the privilege of providing ICF/MR services in the state. The Department of Mental Health needs to immediately provide guidance to ICF/MR service providers regarding the formula that will be used to determine the

*Federal Reimbursement Allowance for such facilities. This rule will establish how the Department of Mental Health will obtain funds through an assessment on the private and publicly operated ICF/MRs. These funds will be used to provide needed oversight and services for approximately thirty thousand (30,000) consumers with developmental disabilities. Without an emergency rule there may be confusion regarding how the Federal Reimbursement Allowance will be determined and collected from such facilities and a delay in the Department of Mental Health obtaining such funds to provide services. The Department of Mental Health finds that this emergency rule is necessary to preserve a compelling governmental interest, to ensure state revenue is available, and to promote safety and quality in mental health community programs that are in place on this date. A proposed rule, which covers the same material, is published in this issue of the *Missouri Register*. The scope of this emergency rule is limited to the circumstances creating the emergency and with the protections extended in the *Missouri* and *United States Constitutions*. The Missouri Department of Mental Health believes that this emergency rule is fair to all interested persons and parties under the circumstances. This emergency rule was filed July 1, 2008, effective July 11, 2008, expires December 28, 2008.*

(1) The following words and terms, as used in this rule, mean:

(A) Base cost report. MO HealthNet cost report for the second prior fiscal year relative to the State Fiscal Year (SFY) for which the assessment is being calculated. (For example, the SFY 2009 Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA) assessment will be determined using the ICF/MR cost report from FY 2007.)

(B) Department. Department of Mental Health.

(C) Director. Director of the Department of Mental Health.

(D) Division. Division of Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities, Department of Mental Health.

(E) Engaging in the business of providing residential habilitation care. Accepting payment for ICF/MR services rendered.

(F) Fiscal period. Twelve (12)-month reporting period determined by the State Fiscal Year.

(G) Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR). A private or department facility that admits persons who are mentally retarded or developmentally disabled for residential habilitation and other services pursuant to Chapter 630, RSMo, and that has been certified to meet the conditions of participation under 42 CFR 483, Subpart I.

(H) Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded Federal Reimbursement Allowance (ICF/MRFRA). The assessment paid by each ICF/MR.

(I) Net revenues. Gross revenues less bad debts, less charity care, and less contractual allowances.

(J) Trend factor. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Prospective Payment System Skilled Nursing Facility Input Price Index (SNF IPI) four (4) quarter moving average. (Source: GLOBAL INSIGHT, INC, 4th Qtr, 2007) (4 Quarter Moving Average Percent Changes in the CMS Prospective Payment System Skilled Nursing Facility Input Price Index (SNF IPI) using Forecast Assumptions, by Expense Category: 1990-2017)

(2) Each ICF/MR operated primarily for the care and treatment of mental retardation/developmental disabilities engaging in the business of providing residential habilitation and other services in Missouri shall pay an ICF/MRFRA. The ICF/MRFRA shall be calculated by the department as follows:

(A) Beginning on July 1, 2008, and each year thereafter, the ICF/MRFRA annual assessment shall be five and forty-nine hundredths percent (5.49%) of the ICF/MR's net revenues determined from the base cost report relative to the State Fiscal Year for which the assessment is being calculated. The cost report shall be trended forward from the second prior year to the current fiscal year by

applying the SNF IPI trend factor for each year under the ICF/MRFRA calculation;

(B) The annual assessment shall be divided into twelve (12) equal amounts and collected over the number of months the assessment is effective. The assessment is made payable to the director of the Department of Revenue to be deposited in the state treasury in the ICF/MRFRA Fund;

(C) If an ICF/MR does not have a base cost report, net revenues shall be estimated as follows:

1. Net revenues shall be determined by computation of the ICF/MR's projected annual patient days multiplied by its interim established per diem rate; and

(D) The ICF/MRFRA assessment for ICF/MRs that merge operation under one (1) MO HealthNet provider number shall be determined as follows:

1. The previously determined ICF/MRFRA assessment for each ICF/MR shall be combined under the active MO HealthNet provider number for the remainder of the State Fiscal Year after the division receives official notification of the merger; and

2. The ICF/MRFRA assessment for subsequent fiscal years shall be based on the combined data for both facilities.

(3) The department shall prepare a notification schedule of the information from each ICF/MR's second prior year cost report and provide each ICF/MR with this schedule.

(A) The schedule shall include:

1. Provider name;
2. Provider number;
3. Fiscal period;
4. Total number of licensed beds;
5. Total bed days;
6. Net revenues; and

7. Total amount of the assessment for the State Fiscal Year for which the assessment is being calculated and monthly assessment amount due each month.

(B) Each ICF/MR required to pay the ICF/MRFRA shall review this information, and if it is not correct, the ICF/MR must notify the department of such within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the notification schedule. If the ICF/MR fails to submit the corrected data within the fifteen (15)-day time period, the ICF/MR shall be barred from submitting corrected data later to have its ICF/MRFRA assessment adjusted.

(4) Payment of ICF/MRFRA Assessment.

(A) Each ICF/MR may request that its ICF/MRFRA be offset against any MO HealthNet payment due. A statement authorizing the offset must be on file with the MO HealthNet Division before any offset may be made relative to the ICF/MRFRA. Any balance due after the offset shall be remitted by the ICF/MR to the department. The remittance shall be made payable to the director of the Department of Revenue. If the remittance is not received before the next MO HealthNet payment cycle, the MO HealthNet Division shall offset the balance due from that check.

(B) If no offset has been authorized by the ICF/MR, the MO HealthNet Division will begin collecting the ICF/MRFRA on the first day of each month. The ICF/MRFRA shall be remitted by the ICF/MR facility to the MO HealthNet Division. The remittance shall be made payable to the director of the Department of Revenue and deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the ICF/MRFRA Fund.

(C) If the ICF/MR is delinquent in the payment of its ICF/MRFRA assessment, the director of the Department of Social Services shall withhold and remit to the Department of Revenue an amount equal to the assessment from any payment made by the MO HealthNet Division to the ICF/MR provider.

AUTHORITY: section 630.050, RSMo 2000 and section 633.401, HCS for SCS for Senate Bill 1081, 94th General Assembly (signed June 25, 2008). Emergency rule filed July 1, 2008, effective July 11,

2008, expires Dec. 28, 2008. A proposed rule covering the same material is published in this issue of the *Missouri Register*.

Title 13—DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Division 70—MO HealthNet Division

Chapter 3—Conditions of Provider Participation, Reimbursement and Procedure of General Applicability

EMERGENCY AMENDMENT

13 CSR 70-3.170 Medicaid Managed Care Organization Reimbursement Allowance. The division is amending the Purpose statement and section (1) and adding a new section (5).

PURPOSE: This amendment will establish the Medicaid Managed Care Organizations' Reimbursement Allowance for the twelve (12)-month period of July 2008 through June 2009 at five and forty-nine hundredths percent (5.49%). It also changes the name of the state's medical assistance program to MO HealthNet and revises the name of the program's administering agency to MO HealthNet Division to comply with state law. The amendment also updates the name of the Department of Insurance to Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration.

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the formula for determining the Medicaid Managed Care Organizations' Reimbursement Allowance each Medicaid Managed Care Organization is required to pay for the privilege of engaging in the business of providing health benefit services in this state as required by [Senate Bill 189, 93rd General Assembly] sections 208.431 to 208.437, RSMo.

EMERGENCY STATEMENT: The 93rd General Assembly reauthorized the Medicaid Managed Care Organization Reimbursement Allowance (MCORA) through June 30, 2009 by enacting sections 208.431 through 208.437, RSMo. The authorization of the MCORA requires each Medicaid Managed Care Organization to pay for the privilege of engaging in the business of providing health benefit services in this state. Because of the need to preserve state revenue, Senate Bill 4 was deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, welfare, peace, and safety, and was declared to be an emergency within the meaning of the constitution. The MO HealthNet Division finds that this emergency amendment to establish the MCORA assessment rate for state fiscal year (SFY) 2009 in regulation, as required by state statute, is necessary to preserve a compelling governmental interest of collecting state revenue to provide health care to individuals eligible for the MO HealthNet program and the uninsured. An early effective date is required because the emergency amendment establishes the Medicaid Managed Care Organization Reimbursement Allowance rate for SFY 2009 in order to collect this state revenue with the first MO HealthNet payroll for SFY 2009 to ensure access to medical services for indigent and MO HealthNet participants at providers which have relied on Medicaid payments in meeting those needs. The MO HealthNet Division also finds an immediate danger to public health and welfare of the approximately three hundred ninety thousand (390,000) MO HealthNet individuals receiving healthcare from the Medicaid Managed Care Organizations which requires emergency action. If this emergency amendment is not enacted, there would be significant financial instability to the Medicaid Managed Care Organizations which serve approximately three hundred ninety thousand (390,000) MO HealthNet participants. This financial instability will, in turn, result in an adverse impact on the health and welfare of those MO HealthNet participants in need of medical treatment. On an annual basis the MCORA raises approximately \$58,706,812. A proposed amendment, which covers the same material, was published in the April 15, 2008 issue of the *Missouri Register*. This emergency amendment limits its scope to the circumstances creating the emergency and

complies with the protections extended by the Missouri and United States Constitutions. The MO HealthNet Division believes this emergency amendment to be fair to all interested parties under the circumstances. This emergency amendment filed June 18, 2008, effective July 1, 2008, expires December 28, 2008.

(1) Medicaid Managed Care Organization Reimbursement Allowance (MCORA) shall be assessed as described in this section.

(A) Definitions.

1. Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO). A health benefit plan, as defined in section 376.1350, RSMo, with a contract under 42 U.S.C. section 1396b(m) to provide health benefit services to [Missouri MC+] **MO HealthNet** managed care program eligibility groups.

2. Department. Department of Social Services.

3. Director. Director of the Department of Social Services.

4. Division. [Division of Medical Services] **MO HealthNet Division**.

5. Health annual statement. The National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) annual financial statement filed with the Missouri Department of Insurance, **Financial Institutions and Professional Registration**.

6. Effective July 1, 2005 **through June 30, 2006**, Total Revenues. Total Revenues reported for Title XIX—Medicaid on the NAIC annual statement schedule “Analysis of Operations by Lines of Business.” Column No. 8, Line 7.

7. Engaging in the business of providing health benefit services. Accepting payment for health benefit services.

8. Effective July 1, 2006, Total Revenues. Total capitated payments a Medicaid managed care organization receives from the division for providing, or arranging for the provision of, health care services to its members or enrollees.

(B) Beginning July 1, 2005, each Medicaid MCO in this state shall, in addition to all other fees and taxes now required or paid, pay a Medicaid Managed Care Organization Reimbursement Allowance (MCORA) for the privilege of engaging in the business of providing health benefit services in this state. Collection of the MCORA shall begin upon **Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)** approval of the changes in Medicaid capitation rates that are effective July 1, 2005.

1. Effective July 1, 2005 **through June 30, 2006**, the Medicaid MCORA owed for existing Medicaid MCOs shall be calculated by multiplying the Medicaid MCORA tax rate by the Total Revenues, as defined above. The most recent available NAIC Health Annual Statement shall be used. The Medicaid MCORA shall be divided by and collected over the number of months for which each Medicaid MCORA is effective. The Medicaid MCORA rates, effective dates, and applicable NAIC Health Annual Statements are set forth in section (2).

A. Exceptions.

(I) If an existing Medicaid MCO’s applicable NAIC Health Annual Statement, as set forth in section (2), does not represent a full calendar year worth of revenue due to the Medicaid MCO entering the Medicaid market during the calendar year, the Total Revenues used to determine the Medicaid MCORA shall be the partial year Total Revenues reported on the NAIC Health Annual Statements schedule titled Analysis of Operations by Lines of Business annualized.

(II) If an existing Medicaid MCO did not have Total Revenues reported on the applicable NAIC Health Annual Statement due to the Medicaid MCO not entering the Medicaid market until after the calendar year, the Total Revenue used to determine the Medicaid MCORA shall be the MC+ regional weighted average per member per month net capitation rate in effect during the same calendar year multiplied by the Medicaid MCO’s estimated annualized member months based on the most recent complete month.

2. Effective July 1, 2006, the Medicaid MCORA owed for existing Medicaid MCOs shall be calculated by multiplying the Medicaid

MCORA tax rate by the prior month Total Revenue, as defined above.

A. Exceptions.

(I) For the month of July 2006, the Medicaid MCORA owed for existing Medicaid MCOs shall be calculated by multiplying the Medicaid MCORA tax rate by the current month Total Revenue, as defined above.

(C) Effective July 1, 2005 **through June 30, 2006**, the Department of Social Services shall prepare a confirmation schedule of the information from each Medicaid MCO’s NAIC Health Annual Statement Analysis of Operations by Lines of Business. Effective July 1, 2006, the Department of Social Services shall prepare a confirmation schedule of the Medicaid MCORA calculation. The Department of Social Services shall provide each Medicaid MCO with this schedule.

1. Effective July 1, 2005 **through June 30, 2006**, the schedule shall include:

A. Medicaid MCO name;

B. Medicaid MCO provider number;

C. Calendar year from the NAIC Health Annual Statement; and

D. Total Revenues reported on the Analysis of Operations by Lines of Business schedule.

2. Effective July 1, 2006, the schedule shall include:

A. Medicaid MCO name;

B. Medicaid MCO provider number; and

C. Medicaid MCORA tax rate.

3. Each Medicaid MCO required to pay the Medicaid MCORA shall review the information in the schedule referenced in paragraph (1)(C)1. of this regulation and if necessary, provide the department with correct information. If the information supplied by the department is incorrect, the Medicaid MCO, within fifteen (15) calendar days of receiving the confirmation schedule, must notify the division and explain the corrections. If the division does not receive corrected information within fifteen (15) calendar days, it will be assumed to be correct, unless the Medicaid MCO files a protest in accordance with subsection (1)(E) of this regulation.

(D) Payment of the Medicaid MCORA.

1. Offset. Each Medicaid MCO may request that their Medicaid MCORA be offset against any Missouri Medicaid payment due to that MCO. A statement authorizing the offset must be on file with the division before any offset may be made relative to the Medicaid MCORA by the MCO. Assessments shall be allocated and deducted over the applicable service period. Any balance due after the offset shall be remitted by the Medicaid MCO to the department. The remittance shall be made payable to the director of the Department of Revenue and deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the Medicaid MCORA Fund. If the remittance is not received before the next [Medicaid] **MO HealthNet** payment cycle, the division shall offset the balance due from that check.

2. Check. If no offset has been authorized by the Medicaid MCO, the division will begin collecting the Medicaid MCORA on the first day of each month. The Medicaid MCORA shall be remitted by the Medicaid MCO to the department. The remittance shall be made payable to the director of the Department of Revenue and deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the Medicaid MCORA Fund.

3. Failure to pay the Medicaid MCORA. If a Medicaid MCO fails to pay its Medicaid MCORA within thirty (30) days of notice, the Medicaid MCORA shall be delinquent. For any delinquent Medicaid MCORA, the department may compel the payment of such reimbursement allowance in the circuit court having jurisdiction in the county where the main offices of the Medicaid MCO is located. In addition, the director of the Department of Social Services or the director’s designee may cancel or refuse to issue, extend, or reinstate a [Medicaid] **MO HealthNet** contract agreement to any Medicaid MCO that fails to pay such delinquent reimbursement allowance required unless under appeal. Furthermore, except as otherwise

noted, failure to pay a delinquent reimbursement allowance imposed shall be grounds for denial, suspension, or revocation of a license granted by the Department of Insurance, **Financial Institutions and Professional Registration**. The director of the Department of Insurance, **Financial Institutions and Professional Registration** may deny, suspend, or revoke the license of the Medicaid MCO with a contract under 42 U.S.C. section 1396b(m) that fails to pay a MCO's delinquent reimbursement allowance unless under appeal.

(5) **Medicaid MCORA Rates for SFY 2009.** The Medicaid MCORA rates for SFY 2009 determined by the division, as set forth in (1)(B) above, are as follows:

(A) The Medicaid MCORA will be five and forty-nine hundredths percent (5.49%) of the prior month Total Revenue received by each Medicaid MCO. The Medicaid MCORA will be collected each month for SFY 2009 (July 2008 through June 2009). No Medicaid MCORA shall be collected by the Department of Social Services if the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) determines that such reimbursement allowance is not authorized under Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

AUTHORITY: sections 208.201, [RSMo 2000 and] 208.431, and 208.435, RSMo Supp. [2006] 2007. Original rule filed June 1, 2005, effective Dec. 30, 2005. For intervening history, please consult the Code of State Regulations. Amended: Filed March 17, 2008. Emergency amendment filed June 18, 2008, effective July 1, 2008, expires Dec. 28, 2008.

Title 13—DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES Division 70—MO HealthNet Division Chapter 10—Nursing Home Program

EMERGENCY AMENDMENT

13 CSR 70-10.030 Prospective Reimbursement Plan for Nonstate-Operated Facilities for ICF/MR Services. The division is adding subparagraph (4)(A)1.K.

PURPOSE: This amendment outlines how the Fiscal Year 2009 trend factor will be applied to adjust per diem rates for nonstate-operated ICF/MRs participating in the Medicaid program.

EMERGENCY STATEMENT: The Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division, by rule and regulation, must define the reasonable costs, manner, extent, quantity, quality, charges, and fees of medical assistance provided. For State Fiscal Year 2009, the appropriation by the General Assembly included additional funds to increase nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities' reimbursement rates by three percent (3%). The MO HealthNet Division is carrying out the General Assembly's intent by providing for a per diem increase to ICF/MR facility reimbursement rates of three percent (3%). The three percent (3%) increase is necessary to ensure that payments for ICF/MR facility per diem rates are in line with the funds appropriated for that purpose. There are a total of eight (8) nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities currently enrolled in Missouri Medicaid, all of which will receive a three percent (3%) increase to their reimbursement rates. This emergency amendment will ensure payment for ICF/MR services to approximately eighty-four (84) ICF/MR Missourians throughout State Fiscal Year 2009 in accordance with the appropriation authority. This emergency amendment must be implemented on a timely basis to ensure that quality ICF/MR services continue to be provided to Medicaid patients in ICF/MR facilities for State Fiscal Year 2009 in accordance with the appropriation authority. As a result, the MO HealthNet Division finds an immediate danger to public health, safety, and/or welfare and a compelling governmental interest, which requires emergency action. The Missouri

Medical Assistance program has a compelling government interest in providing continued cash flow for ICF/MR services. The scope of this emergency amendment is limited to the circumstances creating the emergency and complies with the protections extended by the Missouri and United States Constitutions. The MO HealthNet Division believes this emergency amendment is fair to all interested persons and parties under the circumstances. A proposed amendment covering this same material is published in this issue of the Missouri Register. This emergency amendment was filed June 18, 2008, effective July 1, 2008, expires December 28, 2008.

(4) Prospective Reimbursement Rate Computation.

(A) Except in accordance with other provisions of this rule, the provisions of this section shall apply to all providers of ICF/MR services certified to participate in Missouri's [Medicaid] MO HealthNet program.

1. ICF/MR facilities.

A. Except in accordance with other provisions of this rule, the [Missouri Medical Assistance P] MO HealthNet program shall reimburse providers of these LTC services based on the individual [Medicaid-recipient] MO HealthNet-participant days of care multiplied by the Title XIX prospective per diem rate less any payments collected from [recipients] participants. The Title XIX prospective per diem reimbursement rate for the remainder of state Fiscal Year 1987 shall be the facility's per diem reimbursement payment rate in effect on October 31, 1986, as adjusted by updating the facility's allowable base year to its 1985 fiscal year. Each facility's per diem costs as reported on its Fiscal Year 1985 Title XIX cost report will be determined in accordance with the principles set forth in this rule. If a facility has not filed a 1985 fiscal year cost report, the most current cost report on file with the department will be used to set its per diem rate. Facilities with less than a full twelve (12)-month 1985 fiscal year will not have their base year rates updated.

B. For state FY-88 and dates of service beginning July 1, 1987, the negotiated trend factor shall be equal to two percent (2%) to be applied in the following manner: Two percent (2%) of the average per diem rate paid to both state- and nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 1, 1987, shall be added to each facility's rate.

C. For state FY-89 and dates of service beginning January 1, 1989, the negotiated trend factor shall be equal to one percent (1%) to be applied in the following manner: One percent (1%) of the average per diem rate paid to both state- and nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 1, 1988 shall be added to each facility's rate.

D. For state FY-91 and dates of service beginning July 1, 1990, the negotiated trend factor shall be equal to one percent (1%) to be applied in the following manner: One percent (1%) of the average per diem rate paid to both state- and nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 1, 1990, shall be added to each facility's rate.

E. FY-96 negotiated trend factor. All nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase to their per diem rates effective for dates of service beginning January 1, 1996, of six dollars and seven cents (\$6.07) per patient day for the negotiated trend factor. This adjustment is equal to four and six-tenths percent (4.6%) of the weighted average per diem rates paid to nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 1, 1995, of one hundred and thirty-one dollars and ninety-three cents (\$131.93).

F. State FY-99 trend factor. All nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase to their per diem rates effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 1998, of four dollars and forty-seven cents (\$4.47) per patient day for the trend factor. This adjustment is equal to three percent (3%) of the weighted average per diem rate paid to nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 30, 1998, of one hundred forty-eight dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$148.99).

G. State FY-2000 trend factor. All nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase to their per diem rates effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 1999, of four dollars and sixty-three cents (\$4.63) per patient day for the trend factor. This adjustment is equal to three percent (3%) of the weighted average per diem

rate paid to nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on April 30, 1999, of one hundred fifty-four dollars and forty-three cents (\$154.43). This increase shall only be used for increases for the salaries and fringe benefits for direct care staff and their immediate supervisors.

H. State FY-2001 trend factor. All nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase to their per diem rates effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2000, of four dollars and eighty-one cents (\$4.81) per patient day for the trend factor. This adjustment is equal to three percent (3%) of the weighted average per diem rate paid to nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on April 30, 2000, of one hundred sixty dollars and twenty-three cents (\$160.23). This increase shall only be used for increases for salaries and fringe benefits for direct care staff and their immediate supervisors.

I. State FY-2007 trend factor. All nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase of seven percent (7%) to their per diem rates effective for dates of service billed for State Fiscal Year 2007 and thereafter. This adjustment is equal to seven percent (7%) of the per diem rate paid to nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 30, 2006.

J. State FY-2008 trend factor. Effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2007, all nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase to their per diem rates of two percent (2%) for the trend factor. This adjustment is equal to two percent (2%) of the per diem rate paid to nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 30, 2007.

K. State FY-2009 trend factor. Effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2008, all nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase to their per diem rates of three percent (3%) for the trend factor. This adjustment is equal to three percent (3%) of the per diem rate paid to nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 30, 2008.

AUTHORITY: section[s] 208.153, 208.159, [and 208.201,] RSMo 2000, and sections 208.153 and 208.201, RSMo Supp. 2007. This rule was previously filed as 13 CSR 40-81.083. Original rule filed Aug. 13, 1982, effective Nov. 11, 1982. For intervening history, please consult the Code of State Regulations. Emergency amendment filed June 18, 2008, effective July 1, 2008, expires Dec. 28, 2008. A proposed amendment covering this same material is published in this issue of the Missouri Register.

Title 13—DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Division 70—[Division of Medical Services]

MO HealthNet Division

Chapter 15—Hospital Program

EMERGENCY AMENDMENT

13 CSR 70-15.010 Inpatient Hospital Services Reimbursement Plan; Outpatient Hospital Services Reimbursement Methodology. The division is adding subparagraphs (3)(B)1.O. and P. and amending subsection (15)(B).

PURPOSE: This amendment provides for the MO HealthNet share of the Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA) assessment cost included in the Direct Medicaid payment to be allocated between a hospital's inpatient and outpatient services. This amendment also clarifies the calculation of the estimated MO HealthNet days to be used in determining the Direct Medicaid payment, and updates the trend indices used for inflating prior fiscal year data to the current state fiscal year.

EMERGENCY STATEMENT: The Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division, by rule and regulation, must define the reasonable costs, manner, extent, quantity, quality, charges, and fees of medical assistance. The Missouri Partnership Plan between the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Missouri

Department of Social Services (DSS), which establishes a process whereby CMS and DSS determine the permissibility of the funding sources used by Missouri to fund its share of the MO HealthNet program, is based on a state fiscal year. This emergency amendment is necessary to incorporate the methodology on which CMS and DSS reached agreement on April 10, 2008, and that CMS requires for compliance beginning July 1, 2008. This emergency amendment will ensure payment to Missouri hospitals providing health care to approximately eight hundred ninety-six thousand (896,000) Missourians eligible for the MO HealthNet program. This emergency amendment must be implemented on a timely basis because it establishes the calculation of the Direct Medicaid payments for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2009 in regulation in order to make the Direct Medicaid payments beginning with the first MO HealthNet payroll for SFY 2009 to ensure that quality health care continues to be provided to MO HealthNet participants at hospitals that have relied on MO HealthNet payments to meet those patients' needs. As a result, the MO HealthNet Division finds an immediate danger to public health, safety, and/or welfare and a compelling governmental interest which requires emergency action. The MO HealthNet program has a compelling government interest in providing continued cash flow for inpatient hospital services. The scope of this emergency amendment is limited to the circumstances creating the emergency and complies with the protections extended by the Missouri and United States Constitutions. The MO HealthNet Division believes this emergency amendment is fair to all interested persons and parties under the circumstances. A proposed amendment covering this same material is published in this issue of the Missouri Register. Therefore, the division believes this emergency to be fair to all interested persons and parties under the circumstances. This emergency amendment was filed June 18, 2008, effective July 1, 2008, expires December 28, 2008.

(3) Per Diem Reimbursement Rate Computation. Each hospital shall receive a Medicaid per diem rate based on the following computation.

(B) Trend Indices (TI). Trend indices are determined based on the four (4)-quarter average DRI Index for DRI-Type Hospital Market Basket as published in *Health Care Costs* by DRI/McGraw-Hill for each State Fiscal Year (SFY) 1995 to 1998. Trend indices starting in SFY 1999 will be determined based on CPI Hospital indexed as published in *Health Care Costs* by DRI/McGraw-Hill for each State Fiscal Year (SFY).

1. The TI are—

- A. SFY 1994—4.6%
- B. SFY 1995—4.45%
- C. SFY 1996—4.575%
- D. SFY 1997—4.05%
- E. SFY 1998—3.1%
- F. SFY 1999—3.8%
- G. SFY 2000—4.0%
- H. SFY 2001—4.6%
- I. SFY 2002—4.8%
- J. SFY 2003—5.0%
- K. SFY 2004—6.2%
- L. SFY 2005—6.7%
- M. SFY 2006—5.7%
- N. SFY 2007—5.9%
- O. SFY 2008—5.5%
- P. SFY 2009—5.5%

2. The TI for SFY 1996 through SFY 1998 are applied as a full percentage to the OC of the per diem rate and for SFY 1999 the OC of the June 30, 1998 rate shall be trended by 1.2% and for SFY 2000 the OC of the June 30, 1999 rate shall be trended by 2.4%. The OC of the June 30, 2000 rate shall be trended by 1.95% for SFY 2001.

3. The per diem rate shall be reduced as necessary to avoid any negative Direct Medicaid Payments computed in accordance with subsection (15)(B).

(15) Direct Medicaid Payments.

(B) Direct Medicaid payment will be computed as follows:

1. The *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* share of the inpatient FRA assessment will be calculated by dividing the hospital's inpatient Medicaid patient days by the total inpatient hospital/s/ patient days from the hospital's base cost report to arrive at the inpatient Medicaid utilization percentage. This percentage is then multiplied by the inpatient FRA assessment for the current SFY to arrive at the increased allowable *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* costs/; for the inpatient FRA assessment. The *MO HealthNet* share of the outpatient FRA assessment will be calculated by dividing the hospital's outpatient *MO HealthNet* charges by the total outpatient hospital charges from the base cost report to arrive at the *MO HealthNet* utilization percentage. This percentage is then multiplied by the outpatient FRA assessment for the current SFY to arrive at the increased allowable *MO HealthNet* costs for the outpatient FRA assessment.

2. The unreimbursed *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* costs are determined by subtracting the hospital's per diem rate from its trended per diem costs. The difference is multiplied by the estimated *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* patient days for the current SFY/. plus the out-of-state days from the fourth prior year cost report trended to the current SFY. The estimated *MO HealthNet* patient days for the current SFY shall be the better of the sum of the Fee-for-Service (FFS) days plus managed care days or the days used in the prior SFY's Direct Medicaid payment calculation. The FFS days are determined from a regression analysis of the hospital's FFS days from February 1999 through December of the second prior SFY. The managed care days are based on the FFS days determined from the regression analysis, as follows: The FFS days are factored up by the percentage of FFS days to the total of FFS days plus managed care days from the hospital's fourth prior year cost report. The difference between the FFS days and the FFS days factored up by the FFS days' percentage are the managed care days.

A. The trended cost per day is calculated by trending the base year costs per day by the trend indices listed in paragraph (3)(B)1., using the rate calculation in subsection (3)(A). In addition to the trend indices applied to inflate base period costs to the current fiscal year, base year costs will be further adjusted by a Missouri Specific Trend. The Missouri Specific Trend will be used to address the fact that costs for Missouri inpatient care of *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* residents have historically exceeded the compounded inflation rates estimated using national hospital indices for a significant number of hospitals. The Missouri Specific Trend will be applied at one and one-half percent (1.5%) per year to the hospital's base year. For example, hospitals with a 1998 base year will receive an additional six percent (6%) trend, and hospitals with a 1999 base year will receive an additional four and one-half percent (4.5%) trend.

B. For hospitals that meet the requirements in paragraphs (6)(A)1., (6)(A)2., and (6)(A)4. of this rule (safety net hospitals), the base year cost report may be from the third prior year, the fourth prior year, or the fifth prior year. For hospitals that meet the requirements in paragraphs (6)(A)1. and (6)(A)3. of this rule (first tier Disproportionate Share Hospitals), the base year operating costs may be the third or fourth prior year cost report. The *[Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division* shall exercise its sole discretion as to which report is most representative of costs. For all other hospitals, the base year operating costs are based on the fourth prior year cost report. For any hospital that has both a twelve (12)-month cost report and a partial year cost report, its base period cost report for that year will be the twelve (12)-month cost report.

C. The trended cost per day does not include the costs associated with the FRA assessment, the application of minimum utilization, the utilization adjustment, and the poison control costs computed in paragraphs (15)(B)1., 3., 4., and 5.;

3. The minimum utilization costs for capital and medical education is calculated by determining the difference in the hospital's

cost per day when applying the minimum utilization as identified in paragraph (5)(C)4., and without applying the minimum utilization. The difference in the cost per day is multiplied by the estimated *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* patient days for the SFY;

4. The utilization adjustment cost is determined by estimating the number of *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* inpatient days the hospital will not provide as a result of the *[MC + Health Plans] managed care health plans* limiting inpatient hospital services. These days are multiplied by the hospital's cost per day to determine the total cost associated with these days. This cost is divided by the remaining total patient days from its base period cost report to arrive at the increased cost per day. This increased cost per day is multiplied by the estimated *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* days for the current SFY to arrive at the *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* utilization adjustment;

5. The poison control cost shall reimburse the hospital for the prorated *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* managed care cost. It will be calculated by multiplying the estimated *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* share of the poison control costs by the percentage of *[MC + recipients/ managed care participants]* to total *[Medicaid recipients/ MO HealthNet participants]*; and

6. Prior to July 1, 2006, the costs for including out-of-state Medicaid days is calculated by subtracting the hospital's per diem rate from its trended per diem cost and multiplying this difference by the out-of-state Medicaid days from the base year cost report. Effective July 1, 2006, the costs for including out-of-state Medicaid days is calculated by subtracting the hospital's per diem rate from its trended per diem cost and multiplying this difference by the out-of-state Medicaid days as determined from the regression analysis performed using the out-of-state days from the fourth, fifth, and sixth prior year cost reports.

AUTHORITY: sections 208.152, 208.153, [and] 208.201, [RSMo 2000 and 208.152] and 208.471, RSMo Supp. [2006] 2007. This rule was previously filed as 13 CSR 40-81.050. Original rule filed Feb. 13, 1969, effective Feb. 23, 1969. For intervening history please consult the Code of State Regulations. Emergency amendment filed June 18, 2008, effective July 1, 2008, expires Dec. 28, 2008. A proposed amendment covering this same material is published in this issue of the Missouri Register.

Title 13—DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Division 70—[Division of Medical Services]

MO HealthNet Division

Chapter 15—Hospital Program

EMERGENCY AMENDMENT

13 CSR 70-15.110 Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA). The division is amending the division title and subsections (1)(A) and (1)(B) and is adding section (16).

PURPOSE: This amendment will establish the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2009 Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA) assessment at 5.25% of each hospital's inpatient and outpatient adjusted net revenues for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009. This amendment will also add a definition for FRA, revise the definitions for base year cost report and contractual allowances, clarify the description of FRA in succeeding state fiscal years, clarify the adjusted net revenues used to determine the FRA assessment on a quartile basis, update division title references to MO HealthNet Division, and update reference to the state's medical assistance program to MO HealthNet.

EMERGENCY STATEMENT: The Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division, finds that this emergency amendment is necessary to preserve a compelling governmental interest of collecting

state revenue in order to provide health care to individuals eligible for the MO HealthNet program and for the uninsured. An early effective date is required because the emergency amendment establishes the Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA) assessment rates for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2009 in regulation in order to collect the state revenue, beginning with the first Medicaid payroll for SFY 2009, to ensure access to hospital services for MO HealthNet participants and indigent patients at hospitals that have relied on MO HealthNet payments to meet those patients' needs. The Missouri Partnership Plan between the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Missouri Department of Social Services (DSS), which establishes a process whereby CMS and DSS determine the permissibility of the funding source used by Missouri to fund its share of the MO HealthNet program, is based on a state fiscal year. This emergency amendment is necessary to incorporate the methodology that CMS and DSS agreed upon on April 10, 2008, and that CMS requires for compliance beginning July 1, 2008. The MO HealthNet Division also finds an immediate danger to public health and welfare which requires emergency actions. If this emergency amendment is not enacted, there would be significant cash flow shortages causing a financial strain on Missouri hospitals which service almost eight hundred ninety-six thousand (896,000) MO HealthNet participants plus the uninsured. This financial strain, in turn, will result in an adverse impact on the health and welfare of MO HealthNet participants and uninsured individuals in need of medical treatment. The FRA raises approximately \$821,699,802 annually. This emergency amendment limits its scope to the circumstances creating the emergency and complies with the protections extended by the Missouri and United States Constitutions. The MO HealthNet Division believes this emergency amendment to be fair to all interested parties under the circumstances. A proposed amendment covering this same material is published in this issue of the Missouri Register. This emergency amendment was filed June 18, 2008, effective July 1, 2008, expires December 28, 2008.

(1) Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA). FRA shall be assessed as described in this section.

(A) Definitions.

1. Bad debts—Amounts considered to be uncollectible from accounts and notes receivable that were created or acquired in providing services. Allowable bad debts include the costs of caring for patients who have insurance, but their insurance does not cover the particular service procedures or treatment rendered.

2. Base cost report—Desk-reviewed Medicare/Medicaid cost report. *[For the latest hospital fiscal year ending during the calendar year. (For example, a provider has a cost report for the nine (9) months ending 9/30/95 and a cost report for the three (3) months ending 12/31/95.)]* When a hospital has more than one (1) cost report with periods ending in the base year, the cost report covering a full twelve (12)-month period will be used. If none of the cost reports covers a full twelve (12) months, the cost report with the latest period will be used. If a hospital's base cost report is less than or greater than a twelve (12)-month period, the data shall be adjusted, based on the number of months reflected in the base cost report, to a twelve (12)-month period.

3. Charity care—Those charges written off by a hospital based on the hospital's policy to provide health care services free of charge or at a reduced charge because of the indigence or medical indigence of the patient.

4. Contractual allowances—Difference between established rates for covered services and the amount paid by third-party payers under contractual agreements. The Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA) is a cost to the hospital, regardless of how the FRA is remitted to the MO HealthNet Division, and shall not be included in contractual allowances for determining revenues. Any redistributions of MO HealthNet payments by private entities acting at the request of participating health care providers shall not

be included in contractual allowances or determining revenues or cost of patient care.

5. Department—Department of Social Services.

6. Director—Director of the Department of Social Services.

7. Division—[Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division, Department of Social Services.

8. Engaging in the business of providing inpatient health care—Accepting payment for inpatient services rendered.

9. Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA)—The fee assessed to hospitals for the privilege of engaging in the business of providing inpatient health care in Missouri. The FRA is an allowable cost to the hospital.

[9./10. Fiscal period—Twelve (12)-month reporting period determined by each hospital.

[10./11. Gross hospital service charges—Total charges made by the hospital for inpatient and outpatient hospital services that are covered under 13 CSR 70-15.010.

[11./12. Hospital—A place devoted primarily to the maintenance and operation of facilities for the diagnosis, treatment, or care for not fewer than twenty-four (24) hours in any week of three (3) or more nonrelated individuals suffering from illness, disease, injury, deformity, or other abnormal physical conditions; or a place devoted primarily to provide for not fewer than twenty-four (24) hours in any week, medical or nursing care for three (3) or more nonrelated individuals. The term hospital does not include convalescent, nursing, shelter, or boarding homes as defined in Chapter 198, RSMo.

13. Hospital revenues subject to FRA assessment effective July 1, 2008—Each hospital's inpatient adjusted net revenues and outpatient adjusted net revenues subject to the FRA assessment will be determined as follows:

A. Obtain "Gross Total Charges" from Worksheet G-2, Line 25, Column 3, of the most recent cost report that is available for a hospital. Charges shall exclude revenues for physician services. Charges related to activities subject to the Missouri taxes assessed for outpatient retail pharmacies and nursing facility services shall also be excluded. "Gross Total Charges" will be reduced by the following:

(I) "Nursing Facility Charges" from Worksheet C, Part I, Line 35, Column 6.

(II) "Swing Bed Nursing Facility Charges" from Worksheet G-2, Line 5, Column 1.

(III) "Nursing Facility Ancillary Charges" as determined from the Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division, nursing home cost report. (Note: To the extent that the gross hospital charges, as specified in subparagraph (I)(A)13.A. above, include long-term care charges, the charges to be excluded through this step shall include all long-term care ancillary charges including skilled nursing facility, nursing facility, and other long-term care providers based at the hospital that are subject to the state's provider tax on nursing facility services.)

(IV) "Distinct Part Ambulatory Surgical Center Charges" from Worksheet G2, Line 22, Column 2.

(V) "Ambulance Charges" from Worksheet C, Part I, Line 65, Column 7.

(VI) "Home Health Charges" from Worksheet G-2, Line 19, Column 2.

(VII) "Total Rural Health Clinic Charges" from Worksheet C, Part I, Column 7, Lines 63.50–63.59.

(VIII) "Other Non-Hospital Component Charges" from Worksheet G-2, Lines 6, 8, 21, 21.02, 23, and 24.

B. Obtain "Net Revenue" from Worksheet G-3, Line 3, Column 1. The state will ensure this amount is net of bad debts and other uncollectible charges by survey methodology.

C. "Adjusted Gross Total Charges" (the result of the computations in subparagraph (I)(A)13.A.) will then be further adjusted by a hospital-specific collection-to-charge ratio determined as follows:

(I) Divide "Net Revenue" by "Gross Total Charges."

(II) "Adjusted Gross Total Charges" will be multiplied by the result of part (I)(A)13.C.(I) to yield "Adjusted Net Revenue."

D. Obtain "Gross Inpatient Charges" from Worksheet G-2, Line 25, Column 1, of the most recent cost report that is available for a hospital.

E. Obtain "Gross Outpatient Charges" from Worksheet G-2, Line 25, Column 2, of the most recent cost report that is available for a hospital.

F. Total "Adjusted Net Revenue" will be allocated between "Net Inpatient Revenue" and "Net Outpatient Revenue" as follows:

(I) "Gross Inpatient Charges" will be divided by "Gross Total Charges."

(II) "Adjusted Net Revenue" will then be multiplied by the result to yield "Net Inpatient Revenue."

(III) The remainder will be allocated to "Net Outpatient Revenue."

G. The trend indices listed in 13 CSR 70-15.010(3)(B) and the Missouri Specific Trend defined in 13 CSR 70-15.010(15)(B)2.A. will be applied to the apportioned inpatient adjusted net revenue and outpatient adjusted net revenue in order to inflate or trend forward the adjusted net revenues from the base cost report fiscal year to the current state fiscal year to determine the inpatient and outpatient adjusted net revenues subject to the FRA assessment.

[12./14. Net operating revenue—Gross charges less bad debts, less charity care, and less contractual allowances times the trend indices listed in 13 CSR 70-15.010(3)(B).

[13./15. Other operating revenues—The other operating revenue is total other revenue less government appropriations, less donations, and less income from investments times the trend indices listed in 13 CSR 70-15.010(3)(B).

(B) Each hospital, except public hospitals which are operated primarily for the care and treatment of mental disorders and any hospital operated by the Department of Health and Senior Services, engaging in the business of providing inpatient health care in Missouri shall pay an FRA. The FRA shall be calculated by the Department of Social Services.

1. The FRA shall be sixty-three dollars and sixty-three cents (\$63.63) per inpatient hospital day from the 1991 base cost report for Federal Fiscal Year 1994. [The FRA shall be as described in sections (2), (3) and (4) f/For succeeding periods/.], the FRA shall be as described beginning with section (2) and going forward.

2. If a hospital does not have a **fourth prior year** base cost report, [total] **inpatient and outpatient adjusted** net revenues [less Medicaid net revenues] shall be estimated as follows:

A. Hospitals required to pay the FRA shall be divided in quartiles based on total beds;

B. Average **inpatient and outpatient adjusted** net revenues [less Medicaid net revenues] shall be individually summed and divided by the total beds in the quartile to yield an average **inpatient and outpatient adjusted** net revenue [less Medicaid net revenue] per bed; and

C. Finally, the number of beds for the hospital without the base cost report shall be multiplied by the average **inpatient and outpatient adjusted** net revenue [less Medicaid net revenue] per bed.

3. The FRA assessment for hospitals that merge operation under one (1) Medicare and [Medicaid] **MO HealthNet** provider number shall be determined as follows:

A. The previously determined FRA assessment for each hospital shall be combined under the active [Medicaid] **MO HealthNet** provider number for the remainder of the state fiscal year after the division receives official notification of the merger; and

B. The FRA assessment for subsequent fiscal years shall be based on the combined data for both facilities.

(16) Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA) for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2009. The FRA assessment for SFY 2009 shall be determined at the rate of five and twenty-five hundredths percent (5.25%) of each hospital's inpatient adjusted net revenues and outpatient adjusted net revenues from the hospital's 2006 Medicare/Medicaid cost report. The FRA assessment rate of 5.25% will be applied individually to the hospital's inpatient adjusted net revenues and outpatient adjusted net revenues. The hospital's total FRA assessment for SFY 2009 is the sum of the assessment determined from its inpatient adjusted net revenue plus the assessment determined for its outpatient adjusted net revenue.

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Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

Division 100—Insurer Conduct Chapter 8—Market Conduct Examination

EMERGENCY AMENDMENT

20 CSR 100-8.040 Insurer Record Retention. The director is deleting subsection (3)(F).

PURPOSE: This amendment eliminates a duplicative and conflicting subsection within a new rule.

EMERGENCY STATEMENT: This emergency amendment eliminates a provision that conflicts with another provision in the rule regarding how long claims records need be retained. This emergency amendment is necessary, and the department finds a compelling governmental interest exists to avoid public and industry confusion regarding which record retention standard applies. A proposed amendment, which covers the same material, is published in this issue of the Missouri Register. The scope of this emergency amendment is limited to the circumstances creating the emergency and complies with the protections extended in the Missouri and United States Constitutions. The department believes this emergency amendment is fair to all interested persons and parties under the circumstances. This emergency amendment was filed June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires February 26, 2009.

(3) Records to be Maintained. The following records shall be maintained:

(D) The Missouri complaint records required to be maintained under section 375.936(3), RSMo shall include a complaint log or register in addition to the actual written complaints. The complaint log or register shall show clearly the total number of complaints for a period of not less than the immediately preceding three (3) years, the classification of each complaint by line of insurance, the nature of each complaint, and the disposition of each complaint. The complaint log or register shall also contain a reference to the location of the file to which each complaint corresponds. If the insurer maintains the file in a computer format, the reference in the complaint log or register for locating such documentation shall be an identifier such as the policy number or other code. Such codes shall be provided to the examiners at the time of an examination; and

(E) The insurer shall retain declined underwriting files for a period of three (3) years from the date of declination. The term “declined underwriting file” shall mean all written or electronic records concerning a policy for which an application for insurance coverage has been completed and submitted to the insurer or its insurance producer but the insurer has made a determination not to issue a policy or not to add additional coverage when requested. A declined underwriting file shall include an application, any documentation substantiating the decision to decline an issuance of a policy, any binder issued without the insurer issuing a policy, any documentation substantiating the decision not to add additional coverage when requested, and, if required by law, any declination notification. Notes regarding requests for quotations which do not result in a completed application for coverage need not be maintained for purposes of this regulation[; and].

[(F) *The insurer shall retain claim files for a period of three (3) years from the date of the claim determination. These files shall contain all notes and work papers pertaining to the claim in such detail that pertinent events and the dates of these events can be reconstructed. Documentary material which is pertinent to the investigation and/or denial of a claim shall be legibly date stamped with the date of receipt whether it is from an insured, his/her agent, a claimant, the department or any other insurer.*]

AUTHORITY: sections 374.045 and 375.948, RSMo 2000. Original rule filed Nov. 1, 2007, effective July 30, 2008. Emergency amendment filed June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires Feb. 26, 2009. A proposed amendment covering this same material is published in this issue of the *Missouri Register*.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION**

**Division 300—Market Conduct Examinations
Chapter 1—Sampling and Error Rates**

EMERGENCY RESCISSION

20 CSR 300-1.100 Unfair Claims Settlement Rates. This rule effectuated or aided in the interpretation of section 375.1007, RSMo regarding detection of frequency to indicate a business practice.

PURPOSE: *This rule is being rescinded because as of July 30, 2008, the substance of the rule appears in rule 20 CSR 100-8.020 Sampling and Error Rates.*

EMERGENCY STATEMENT: *The substance of this rescission was promulgated in 20 CSR 100-8.020 Sampling and Error Rates. 20 CSR 100-8.020 Sampling and Error Rates is effective beginning July 30, 2008. This emergency rescission is necessary to promote the compelling governmental interest of avoiding public and industry confusion regarding which of the two (2) nearly identical rules applies beginning July 30, 2008. The scope of this emergency rescission is limited to the conditions creating the emergency and complies with the protections extended in the Missouri and United States Constitutions. The department believes this emergency rescission is fair to all interested persons and parties under the circumstances. This emergency rescission was filed on June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires February 26, 2009.*

AUTHORITY: sections 374.045, RSMo Supp. 1996 and 375.1000–375.1018, RSMo 1994. This rule was previously filed as 4 CSR 190-10.060(1), (8), and (9). Original rule filed Aug. 5, 1974, effective Aug. 15, 1974. For intervening history, please consult the *Code of State Regulations*. Emergency rescission filed June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires Feb. 26, 2009. A proposed

rescission covering this same material is published in this issue of the Missouri Register.

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**Division 300—Market Conduct Examinations
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EMERGENCY RESCISSION

20 CSR 300-1.200 Fraudulent or Bad Faith Conduct Rules. This rule set forth acts or practices which may constitute conducting business fraudulently or constitute not carrying out contracts in good faith within the scope of section 375.445, RSMo 1986 and set forth acts which may constitute misrepresentations and false advertising of insurance policies within the scope of section 375.936(6), RSMo 1986. The acts or practices prohibited by this regulation were not intended to be an exhaustive list of acts or practices prohibited by section 375.445 or 375.936(6), RSMo 1986.

PURPOSE: *This rule is being rescinded because as of July 30, 2008, the substance of the rule appears in rule 20 CSR 100-8.020 Sampling and Error Rates.*

EMERGENCY STATEMENT: *The substance of this rescission was promulgated in 20 CSR 100-8.020 Sampling and Error Rates. 20 CSR 100-8.020 Sampling and Error Rates is effective beginning July 30, 2008. This emergency rescission is necessary to promote the compelling governmental interest of avoiding public and industry confusion regarding which of the two (2) nearly identical rules applies beginning July 30, 2008. The scope of this emergency rescission is limited to the conditions creating the emergency and complies with the protections extended in the Missouri and United States Constitutions. The department believes this emergency rescission is fair to all interested persons and parties under the circumstances. This emergency rescission was filed on June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires February 26, 2009.*

AUTHORITY: section 374.045, RSMo Supp. 1996. This rule was previously filed as 4 CSR 190-10.080. Original rule filed Aug. 4, 1986, effective Jan. 1, 1987. Amended: Filed Oct. 1, 1996, effective June 30, 1997. Emergency rescission filed June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires Feb. 26, 2009. A proposed rescission covering this same material is published in this issue of the *Missouri Register*.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
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**Division 300—Market Conduct Examinations
Chapter 2—Record Retention for Market Conduct
Examinations**

EMERGENCY RESCISSION

20 CSR 300-2.100 File and Record Documentation for Claims. This rule effectuated or aided in the interpretation of section 375.936(10), RSMo regarding retaining claim records.

PURPOSE: *This rule is being rescinded because as of July 30, 2008, the substance of the rule appears in rules 20 CSR 100-8.010 Standards of Examination, 20 CSR 100-8.020 Sampling and Error Rates, and 20 CSR 100-8.040 Insurer Record Retention.*

EMERGENCY STATEMENT: *The substance of this rescission was promulgated in 20 CSR 100-8.010 Standards of Examination, 20 CSR 100-8.020 Sampling and Error Rates, and 20 CSR 100-8.040 Insurer Record Retention. The new rules become effective beginning July 30, 2008. This emergency rescission is necessary to promote the compelling governmental interest of avoiding public and industry confusion regarding which rule applies beginning July 30, 2008. The scope of this emergency rescission is limited to the conditions creating the emergency and complies with the protections extended in the Missouri and United States Constitutions. The department believes this emergency rescission is fair to all interested persons and parties under the circumstances. This emergency rescission was filed on June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires February 26, 2009.*

posed rescission covering this same material is published in this issue of the Missouri Register.

AUTHORITY: sections 374.045 and 375.930–375.948, RSMo 1986. This rule was previously filed as 4 CSR 190-10.060(2). Original rule filed Aug. 5, 1974, effective Aug. 15, 1974. For intervening history, please consult the **Code of State Regulations**. Emergency rescission filed June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires Feb. 26, 2009. A proposed rescission covering this same material is published in this issue of the **Missouri Register**.

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FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 300—Market Conduct Examinations
Chapter 2—Record Retention for Market Conduct
Examinations**

EMERGENCY RESCISSION

20 CSR 300-2.200 Records Required for Purposes of Market Conduct Examinations. This regulation described the requirements for record keeping for insurance companies and related entities doing business in this state. This regulation was adopted pursuant to the provisions of section 374.045, RSMo 1986 and to implement sections 287.350, 354.190, 354.465, 374.190, 374.210, 375.158, 379.343, and 379.475, RSMo 1986 and sections 144.027, 354.149, 354.717, 375.022, 375.150, 375.151, 375.926, 375.932, 375.938, 375.1002, and 375.1009, RSMo Supp. 1991.

PURPOSE: *This rule is being rescinded because as of July 30, 2008, the substance of the rule appears in rule 20 CSR 100-8.040 Insurer Record Retention.*

EMERGENCY STATEMENT: *The substance of this rescission was promulgated in 20 CSR 199-8.040 Insurer Record Retention. The new rule becomes effective beginning July 30, 2008. This emergency rescission is necessary to promote the compelling governmental interest of avoiding public and industry confusion regarding which rule applies beginning July 30, 2008. The scope of this emergency rescission is limited to the conditions creating the emergency and complies with the protections extended in the Missouri and United States Constitutions. The department believes this emergency rescission is fair to all interested persons and parties under the circumstances. This emergency rescission was filed on June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires February 26, 2009.*

AUTHORITY: sections 144.027, 287.350, 354.190, 354.465, 354.717, 374.045, 374.190, 374.202, 374.205, 374.210, 375.013, 375.149, 375.150, 375.151, 375.932, 375.938, 375.948, 375.1002, 375.1009, 375.1018, 379.343, 379.475, and 536.016, RSMo 2000 and 375.012, 375.022, and 375.158, RSMo Supp. 2004. This rule was previously filed as 4 CSR 190-11.050. Original rule filed Dec. 20, 1974, effective Dec. 30, 1974. For intervening history, please consult the **Code of State Regulations**. Emergency rescission filed June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires Feb. 26, 2009. A pro-

The Secretary of State shall publish all executive orders beginning January 1, 2003, pursuant to section 536.035.2, RSMo Supp. 2007.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 08-21

WHEREAS, I have been advised by the Director of the State Emergency Management Agency that the ongoing and forecast severe storm systems have caused, or have the potential to cause, damages associated with tornados, high winds, hail, flooding, and flash-flooding in communities throughout the state of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, the severe weather that began on June 1, 2008, and is continuing, has created a condition of distress and hazard to the safety, welfare, and property of the citizens of the state of Missouri beyond the capabilities of some local and other established agencies; and

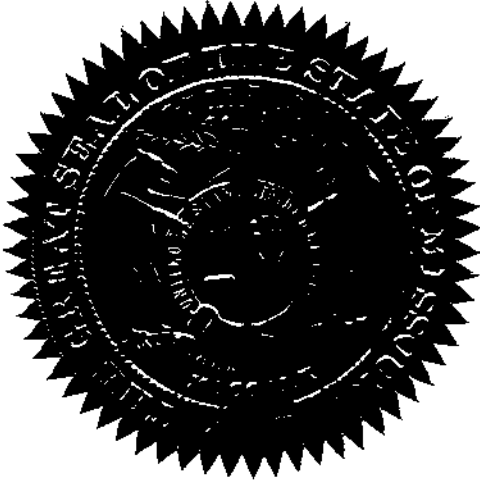
WHEREAS, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is charged by law with protecting and enhancing the quality of Missouri's environment and with enforcing a variety of environmental rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, in order to respond to the emergency and expedite the cleanup and recovery process, it is necessary to adjust certain environmental rules and regulations on a temporary and short-term basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATT BLUNT, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Chapter 44, RSMo, do hereby issue the following order:

The Director of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is vested with full discretionary authority to temporarily waive or suspend the operation of any statutory or administrative rule or regulation currently in place under his purview in order to best serve the interests of the public health and safety during the period of the emergency and the subsequent recovery period.

This order shall terminate on July 11, 2008, unless extended in whole or in part.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, on this 20th day of June, 2008.



Matt Blunt
Governor

ATTEST:



Robin Carnahan
Secretary of State

Under this heading will appear the text of proposed rules and changes. The notice of proposed rulemaking is required to contain an explanation of any new rule or any change in an existing rule and the reasons therefor. This is set out in the Purpose section with each rule. Also required is a citation to the legal authority to make rules. This appears following the text of the rule, after the word "Authority."

Entirely new rules are printed without any special symbolology under the heading of the proposed rule. If an existing rule is to be amended or rescinded, it will have a heading of proposed amendment or proposed rescission. Rules which are proposed to be amended will have new matter printed in boldface type and matter to be deleted printed in brackets.

An important function of the *Missouri Register* is to solicit and encourage public participation in the rulemaking process. The law provides that for every proposed rule, amendment or rescission there must be a notice that anyone may comment on the proposed action. This comment may take different forms.

If an agency is required by statute to hold a public hearing before making any new rules, then a Notice of Public Hearing will appear following the text of the rule. Hearing dates must be at least thirty (30) days after publication of the notice in the *Missouri Register*. If no hearing is planned or required, the agency must give a Notice to Submit Comments. This allows anyone to file statements in support of or in opposition to the proposed action with the agency within a specified time, no less than thirty (30) days after publication of the notice in the *Missouri Register*.

An agency may hold a public hearing on a rule even though not required by law to hold one. If an agency allows comments to be received following the hearing date, the close of comments date will be used as the beginning day in the ninety (90)-day-count necessary for the filing of the order of rulemaking.

If an agency decides to hold a public hearing after planning not to, it must withdraw the earlier notice and file a new notice of proposed rulemaking and schedule a hearing for a date not less than thirty (30) days from the date of publication of the new notice.

Proposed Amendment Text Reminder:

Boldface text indicates new matter.

[Bracketed text indicates matter being deleted.]

Title 1—OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION Division 15—Administrative Hearing Commission Chapter 1—Organization and Description

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

1 CSR 15-1.201 Organization*[/ Presiding Commissioner]*. The commission is amending the title of the rule and section (1) and adding section (2).

PURPOSE: This amendment will allow the position of managing commissioner.

(1) Presiding Commissioner. The Administrative Hearing Commission shall choose one (1) commissioner to be presiding commissioner by majority vote of the commissioners. The presiding commissioner shall serve a term of one (1) year ending June 30, or until a successor is chosen, whichever is later. The presiding commissioner shall have the managerial and budgetary powers and duties

[as] that the commission assigns [him/her] by majority vote of the commissioners.

(2) Managing Commissioner. The Administrative Hearing Commission may choose one (1) commissioner to be managing commissioner by majority vote of the commissioners. The managing commissioner shall serve a term of one (1) year ending December 31, or until a successor is chosen, whichever is later. The managing commissioner shall have the powers and duties that the presiding commissioner assigns.

AUTHORITY: sections 536.023.3 and 621.198, RSMo [1986] Supp. 2007. Original rule filed Aug. 5, 1991, effective Feb. 6, 1992. Amended: Filed July 2, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: A public hearing is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on September 3, 2008, at the Administrative Hearing Commission's official residence—Room 640, Harry S Truman State Office Building, 301 West High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Administrative Hearing Commission, John J. Kopp, Presiding Commissioner, PO Box 1557, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considered, comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 2, 2008.

Title 1—OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION Division 15—Administrative Hearing Commission Chapter 1—Organization and Description

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

1 CSR 15-1.207 Information, Submissions or Requests. The commission is amending section (2).

PURPOSE: This amendment will inform the public to file Sunshine Law requests with the managing commissioner.

(2) Any person seeking access to records under Chapter 610, RSMo, also known as the Sunshine Law or Open Records Law, shall proceed as indicated in section (1) of this rule and direct the request to the commission's *[staff director]* managing commissioner.

AUTHORITY: sections 536.023.3 and 621.198, RSMo [1986] Supp. 2007. Original rule filed Aug. 5, 1991, effective Feb. 6, 1992. Amended: Filed July 2, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Administrative Hearing Commission, John J. Kopp, Presiding Commissioner, PO Box 1557, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considered, comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 2, 2008.

**Title 1—OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Division 15—Administrative Hearing Commission
Chapter 3—Procedure For All Contested
Cases Under Statutory Jurisdiction**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

1 CSR 15-3.320 [Stays or Suspensions of Any Action from which Petitioner Is Appealing] Stay of Action under Review. The commission is amending the title of the rule and sections (3), (4), and (7) and adding a new section (8).

PURPOSE: This amendment clarifies the limits on the commission's power to stay or suspend an action that is subject to its review.

(3) Specific Cases.

(C) Franchise Cases under Sections 407.822.1 and 407.1031.1, RSMo. The commission's notice of hearing shall contain a stay of the action from which the petitioner seeks relief. **The stay shall dissolve only as set forth in section (7) and not section (8) of this rule.**

(4) The commission, upon either party's request, shall hold or, on its own initiative, may hold an evidentiary hearing on whether to issue [or dissolve] a stay order, except as provided in subsections (3)(B) and (3)(C) of this rule.

(7) The commission's stay order shall remain effective until the commission finally disposes of the case unless the commission orders otherwise. **The commission shall not order otherwise as to a case under subsection (3)(C) of this rule.**

(8) The commission, upon either party's request, shall hold or, on its own initiative, may hold an evidentiary hearing on whether to dissolve a stay order, except as provided in subsection (3)(C) of this rule.

AUTHORITY: section 621.035, RSMo 2000 and section 621.198, RSMo Supp. [2002] 2007. Original rule filed Aug. 5, 1991, effective Feb. 6, 1992. Amended: Filed Jan. 11, 2001, effective July 30, 2001. Amended: Filed June 3, 2002, effective Nov. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed June 16, 2003, effective Nov. 30, 2003. Amended: Filed July 2, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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sidered, comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 2, 2008.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

1 CSR 15-3.350 Complaints. The commission is amending subsection (2)(D).

PURPOSE: This amendment maintains the filing fee authorized under section 621.053, RSMo Supp. 2007.

(2) Specific Cases. In addition to the other requirements of this rule—

(D) In a case arising pursuant to Chapter 407, RSMo, including cases relating to the protest of an action taken by a motor vehicle, motorcycle, or all-terrain vehicle manufacturer, distributor, or representative pursuant to a franchise agreement, the petition shall include a filing fee [equal to the filing fee of the circuit court of Cole County. The provisions of this subsection (2)(D) of this regulation shall expire on January 1, 2009] **in the amount of one hundred five dollars (\$105).**

AUTHORITY: section[s] 621.035, RSMo 2000 and sections 621.053 and 621.198, RSMo Supp. [2006] 2007. Original rule filed Aug. 5, 1991, effective Feb. 6, 1992. For intervening history, please consult the Code of State Regulations. Amended: Filed July 2, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than one thousand two hundred sixty dollars (\$1,260) per year over the life of the rule.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: A public hearing is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on September 3, 2008, at the Administrative Hearing Commission's official residence—Room 640, Harry S Truman State Office Building, 301 West High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Administrative Hearing Commission, John J. Kopp, Presiding Commissioner, PO Box 1557, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considered, comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 2, 2008.

**FISCAL NOTE
PRIVATE COST**

- I. Department Title:** Office of Administration
Division Title: Administrative Hearing Commission
Chapter Title: Procedure for All Contested Cases under Statutory Jurisdiction

Rule Number and Title:	1 CSR 15-3.350, Complaints
Type of Rulemaking:	Proposed Amendment

II. SUMMARY OF FISCAL IMPACT

Estimate of the number of entities by class which would likely be affected by the adoption of the rule:	Classification by types of the business entities which would likely be affected:	Estimate in the aggregate as to the cost of compliance with the rule by the affected entities:
Ten/year	Vehicle Franchisees	\$1,050/year
Two/year	Tobacco Sellers and Distributors	\$ 210/year

III. WORKSHEET

Persons paying filing fee	x	filing fee amount	= fiscal impact
Vehicle Franchisees	10		
+ Tobacco Sellers and Distributors	2		
Total	12	x \$105	= \$1,260/year

IV. ASSUMPTIONS

In 2001, the General Assembly authorized the Administrative Hearing Commission (AHC) to set, by rule, a filing fee equal to the filing fee of the circuit court of Cole County for cases arising pursuant to chapter 407, RSMo. Section 621.053, RSMo Supp. 2007. Two types of cases arise pursuant to chapter 407, RSMo.

The first type is an appeal by a motor vehicle, motorcycle, or all-terrain vehicle franchisee who is the subject of certain actions by a franchisor. Since 2001, the AHC has not received more than four such cases in any six-month period. This fiscal note generously assumes ten cases per year over the life of the rule. The filing fee of the circuit court of Cole County is \$105. At that rate, ten cases will cost all entities filing such cases \$1,050/year in the aggregate over the life of the rule.

The second type is an appeal by persons adversely affected by a decision under section 407.931, related to unlawful practices in the provision of tobacco. The AHC has had two such cases per year for the last two years. This fiscal note generously assumes two cases/year, and therefore projects \$210/year fiscal impact to such entities in the aggregate over the life of the rule.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

1 CSR 15-3.380 Answers and Other Responsive Pleadings. The commission is amending section (5).

PURPOSE: This amendment clarifies the timing for filing a responsive pleading to an amended complaint.

(5) The respondent shall file an answer to an amended complaint within **the latest of:**

(A) [t/Ten (10) days after service of the amended complaint; or

(B) [within t/The time remaining for filing answer to the original complaint[, whichever is longer, unless the commission orders otherwise.]; or

(C) Ten (10) days after the date of an order granting leave to file the amended complaint.

AUTHORITY: section[s] 621.035, RSMo 2000 and section 621.198, RSMo Supp. [2004] 2007. Original rule filed Aug. 5, 1991, effective Feb. 6, 1992. For intervening history, please consult the *Code of State Regulations*. Amended: Filed July 2, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

1 CSR 15-3.390 Intervention. The commission is adding section (3).

PURPOSE: This amendment provides an answer to an intervenor-petitioner's pleading.

(3) When the commission grants a motion to intervene as petitioner, a responsive pleading to the complaint shall be due, and shall be otherwise governed, as set forth in rule 1 CSR 15-3.380.

AUTHORITY: section[s] 621.035, RSMo 2000 and section 621.198, RSMo Supp. [2005] 2007. Original rule filed Aug. 5, 1991, effective Feb. 6, 1992. Amended: Filed June 3, 2002, effective Nov. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed May 30, 2006, effective Nov. 30, 2006. Amended: Filed July 2, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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PROPOSED RULE

1 CSR 15-3.431 Voluntary Dismissal, Settlement, and Consent Orders

PURPOSE: This rule sets out the procedures for disposing of a case without a decision by the commission, including a motion to dismiss, settlement agreement, agreed settlement, and consent order.

(1) Voluntary Dismissal. Petitioner may voluntarily dismiss the complaint by filing a notice of dismissal stating that petitioner dismisses the complaint. A notice of dismissal dismisses the complaint and is effective as of the date on which petitioner files it, without any action by the commission. Petitioner may dismiss the complaint without prejudice, subject to statutory time limits for refile—

(A) Before the filing of a motion for decision without hearing under 1 CSR 15-3.446 or the introduction of evidence at the hearing, whichever is earlier, without the commission's leave; or

(B) After the filing of a motion for decision without hearing under 1 CSR 15-3.446 or the introduction of evidence at the hearing, whichever is earlier, only with leave of the commission or with written consent of respondent. The commission shall grant leave freely when justice so requires.

(2) Settlement. Settlement means the parties' agreed resolution of any issue in the complaint including a contested case under section 621.045, RSMo. The parties may settle all or any part of the complaint without any action by the commission, where such settlement is permitted by law. If the parties' settlement disposes of the entire complaint—

(A) Petitioner may file a notice of dismissal under section (1) of this rule; or

(B) The parties may jointly file a motion for consent order under section (3) of this rule; or

(C) Respondent may file a motion for involuntary dismissal under rule 1 CSR 15-3.436.

(3) Consent Orders.

(A) Generally. A consent order is the commission's dismissal, or recommended dismissal, and memorialization that all parties have agreed to dispose of the case without the commission's decision or recommended decision, except in cases under section 620.149, RSMo or contested cases under section 621.045, RSMo.

(B) Cases Under Section 620.149, RSMo and Contested Cases Under Section 621.045, RSMo. A consent order in a case under section 620.149, RSMo or a contested case under section 621.045, RSMo requires a decision by the commission. A motion for consent order in such a case is subject to rule 1 CSR 15-3.446.

AUTHORITY: sections 536.073.3 and 621.035, RSMo 2000 and section 621.198, RSMo Supp. 2007. Original rule filed July 2, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed rule will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed rule will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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**Title 1—OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Division 15—Administrative Hearing Commission
Chapter 3—Procedure for All Contested
Cases Under Statutory Jurisdiction**

PROPOSED RULE

1 CSR 15-3.436 Involuntary Dismissal

PURPOSE: This rule provides for motions to dismiss by someone other than petitioner.

(1) Involuntary dismissal means a disposition, or recommended disposition, against petitioner that does not reach the merits of the complaint. The commission may order involuntary dismissal on its own motion. Grounds for involuntary dismissal include:

- (A) Lack of jurisdiction;
- (B) Mootness; and
- (C) Grounds for a sanction as set forth in rule 1 CSR 15-3.425.

(2) Respondent may file a motion for involuntary dismissal on all or any part of the complaint except that, unless the commission grants leave otherwise, respondent shall not file a motion for involuntary dismissal—

(A) In any case in which any legal authority, other than the commission, sets any maximum time for conducting a hearing on the merits of the complaint; and

(B) In any case less than forty-five (45) days before the hearing.

(3) The commission may grant a motion for involuntary dismissal based on a preponderance of admissible evidence. Admissible evidence includes an allegation in the complaint, stipulation, discovery response of the petitioner, affidavit, or other evidence admissible under the law. In response to a motion for involuntary dismissal, petitioner shall not rely solely on the allegations in the complaint unless the motion relies solely on the allegations in the complaint.

(4) If a motion for involuntary dismissal relies on matters other than allegations in the complaint and stipulations, the commission shall either—

(A) Treat the motion for involuntary dismissal as a motion for summary decision under rule 1 CSR 15-3.446; or

(B) Convene an evidentiary hearing on the motion.

(5) On any motion under this rule, the commission may allow such written argument as it deems helpful and may rule on the motion without oral argument.

AUTHORITY: sections 536.073.3 and 621.035, RSMo 2000 and section 621.198, RSMo Supp. 2007. Original rule filed July 2, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed rule will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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PROPOSED RESCISSION

1 CSR 15-3.440 Disposing of a Case Without a Hearing on the Complaint. This rule provided for disposition by agreed settlement, stipulation, and consent order; motion to dismiss; relief in the nature of judgment on the pleadings and summary judgment as required by section 536.073.3, RSMo 2000; and other procedures.

PURPOSE: The commission is rescinding this rule because the commission is replacing it with new rules that will simplify procedures for disposition or recommended disposition of cases by agreed settlement, stipulation, consent order, motion to dismiss, and relief in the nature of judgment on the pleadings and summary judgment as required by statute.

AUTHORITY: section 536.073, RSMo 2000 and section 621.198, RSMo Supp. 2003. Original rule filed June 3, 2002, effective Nov. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed June 1, 2004, effective Nov. 30, 2004. Rescinded: Filed July 2, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed rescission will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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PROPOSED RULE

1 CSR 15-3.446 Decision on the Complaint without a Hearing

PURPOSE: This rule provides for disposition by stipulation, consent order, and relief in the nature of judgment on the pleadings and relief in the nature of summary and other procedures.

(1) Generally. Decision without hearing means a disposition, or recommended disposition, of the complaint on the merits. It includes a decision on the pleadings, summary decision, and consent order in cases under section 621.045, RSMo. The commission may grant a motion for decision without hearing in favor of any party, including a party who did not file the motion. On any motion under this rule, the commission may allow such written argument as it deems helpful and may rule on the motion without oral argument.

(2) Any party may file a motion for a decision without hearing on all or any part of the complaint except that, unless the commission grants leave otherwise, no party shall file a motion for decision without hearing—

(A) In any case in which any legal authority, other than the commission, sets any maximum time for conducting a hearing on the merits of the complaint.

(B) In any case, less than forty-five (45) days before the hearing.

(3) Decision on the Pleadings. A decision on the pleadings is a decision without hearing based solely on the complaint and the answer. The commission may grant a motion for decision on the pleadings if a party's pleading, taken as true, entitles another party to a favorable decision. Petitioner shall not file a motion for decision on the pleadings before the time for filing a responsive pleading has expired, except with the consent of all other parties.

(4) Consent Orders in Cases Under Section 620.149, RSMo and Contested Cases Under Section 621.045, RSMo. A motion for a consent order shall contain stipulated facts necessary to support the relief sought under the cited legal authority. Parties seeking a consent order under this section shall jointly file a motion that includes substantially the following language:

The parties stipulate that (*party*) committed the following conduct:

(*Conduct*).

(*Party*) admits that such conduct is cause for (*the relief sought*) under the following legal authority:

(*Legal Authority*).

Therefore, the parties agree to (*the relief sought*).

(5) Summary Decision. Summary decision is a motion for decision without hearing that relies on matters outside the pleadings and is not filed jointly by all parties.

(A) The commission may grant a motion for summary decision if a party establishes facts that entitle any party to a favorable decision and no party genuinely disputes such facts.

(B) Parties may establish a fact, or raise a dispute as to such facts, by admissible evidence. Admissible evidence includes a stipulation, pleading of the adverse party, discovery response of the adverse party, affidavit, or other evidence admissible under the law. A party shall not rely solely on its own pleading to establish any fact, or to raise a genuine issue as to any fact. A party may meet the requirements for the content of a motion, or for a response to a motion, under section (5) of this rule by complying with Missouri Supreme Court Rule of Civil Procedure 74.04.

(C) Petitioner shall not file a motion for summary decision before the time for filing a responsive pleading has expired, except with the consent of all other parties.

AUTHORITY: sections 536.073.3 and 621.035, RSMo 2000 and section 621.198, RSMo Supp. 2007. Original rule filed July 2, 2008.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

1 CSR 15-3.490 Hearings on Complaints; Default. The commission is amending section (4) of this rule.

PURPOSE: The commission is amending this rule to clarify its language.

(4) Expedited Hearings and Continuances. The commission may expedite or continue the hearing date upon notice to the parties except as otherwise provided by law. Any party may file a motion for an expedited hearing or a continuance. The motion shall:

(C) State whether any party objects to the [*extension*] **motion** or that efforts to contact the parties have been futile.

AUTHORITY: sections 536.073.3 and 621.035, RSMo 2000 and section 621.198, RSMo Supp. [2004] 2007. Original rule filed Aug. 5, 1991, effective Feb. 6, 1992. For intervening history, please consult the Code of State Regulations. Amended: Filed July 2, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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**Title 2—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Division 30—Animal Health
Chapter 10—Food Safety and Meat Inspection**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

2 CSR 30-10.010 Inspection of Meat and Poultry. The director of agriculture is amending section (2).

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the addition of the *Code of Federal Regulations* that is incorporated as reference in this section.

(2) The standards used to inspect Missouri meat and poultry slaughter and processing shall be those shown in Part 300 to end of Title 9, the *Code of Federal Regulations* (January 1, [2007] 2008, herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule as published by the United States Superintendent of Documents, 732 N Capitol Street NW, Washington, DC 20402-0001, phone: toll-free (866) 512-1800; DC area (202) 512-1800, [email] website <http://bookstore.gpo.gov>. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

AUTHORITY: section 265.020, RSMo 2000. Original rule filed Sept. 14, 2000, effective March 30, 2001. Amended: Filed Nov. 10, 2004, effective May 30, 2005. Amended: Filed Feb. 6, 2006, effective Aug. 30, 2006. Amended: Filed March 1, 2007, effective Sept. 30, 2007. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Department of Agriculture, Taylor H. Woods, D.V.M., Acting State Veterinarian, PO Box 630, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at (573) 751-6919 or via email at Taylor.Woods@mda.mo.gov. Comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT
Division 240—Public Service Commission
Chapter 20—Electric Utilities**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

4 CSR 240-20.065 Net Metering. The commission is amending the purpose, sections (1)–(4), deleting sections (5) and (8), adding a new section (5), and amending and renumbering sections (6) and (7).

PURPOSE: This amendment is proposed to implement changes in federal and state law and update certain references to apply to current editions.

PURPOSE: This rule implements the [Consumer Clean Energy Act] *Net Metering and Easy Connection Act* (section [386.887] 386.890, RSMo Supp. [2002] 2007) and establishes standards for interconnection of qualified net metering units (generating capacity of one hundred kilowatts (100 kW) or less) with [retail] *distribution systems of electric [power suppliers] utilities*.

(1) Definitions.

(A) Avoided fuel cost means the current annual average cost of fuel for the electric utility as calculated from information contained in the most recent annual report submitted to the commission pursuant to 4 CSR 240-3.165. Annual average cost of fuel will be calculated from information on the Steam-Electric Generating Plant Statistics Sheets of the annual report. This annual average cost of fuel shall be identified in the net metering tariffs on file with the commission and shall be updated annually within thirty (30) days after the electric utility's annual report is submitted.

[(A)](B) Commission means the Public Service Commission of the state of Missouri.

[(B)](C) Customer-generator means [a consumer of electric energy who purchases electric energy from a retail electric power supplier and is the owner of a qualified net metering unit] the owner or operator of a qualified electric energy generation unit that meets all of the following criteria:

1. Is powered by a renewable energy resource;
2. Is an electrical generating system with a capacity of not more than one hundred kilowatts (100 kW);
3. Is located on premises that are owned, operated, leased, or otherwise controlled by the customer-generator;
4. Is interconnected and operates in parallel phase and synchronization with an electric utility and has been approved for interconnection by said electric utility;
5. Is intended primarily to offset part or all of the customer-generator's own electrical energy requirements;
6. Meets all applicable safety, performance, interconnection, and reliability standards established by the National Electrical Code, the National Electrical Safety Code, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Underwriters Laboratories, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and any local governing authorities; and
7. Contains a mechanism that automatically disables the unit and interrupts the flow of electricity back onto the electric utility's electrical lines in the event that service to the customer-generator is interrupted.

[(C)](D) [Local d/]Distribution system means facilities for the distribution of electric energy to the ultimate consumer thereof.

[(D) Qualified net metering unit means an electric generation unit which—

1. Is owned by a customer-generator;
2. Is a hydrogen fuel cell or is powered by sun, wind or biomass;
3. Has an electrical generating system with a capacity of not more than one hundred kilowatts (100 kW);
4. Is located on premises that are owned, operated, leased or otherwise controlled by the customer-generator;
5. Is interconnected with, and operates in parallel and in synchronization with a retail electric power supplier; and
6. Is intended primarily to offset part or all of the customer-generator's own electric power requirements.

(E) *Retail electric power supplier* means any entity that sells electric energy to the ultimate consumer thereof.

(F) *Value of electric energy* means the total resulting from the application of the appropriate rates, which may be time-of-use rates at the option of the retail electric power supplier, to the quantity of electric energy delivered to the retail electric power supplier from a qualified net metering unit or to the quantity of electric energy sold to a customer-generator.]

(E) *Electric utility* means every electrical corporation as defined in section 386.020(15), RSMo 2000, subject to commission regulation pursuant to Chapter 393, RSMo 2000.

(F) *Net metering* means using metering equipment sufficient to measure the difference between the electrical energy supplied to a customer-generator by an electric utility and the electrical energy supplied by the customer-generator to the electric utility over the applicable billing period.

(G) *Renewable energy resources* means electrical energy produced from wind, solar thermal sources, hydroelectric sources, photovoltaic cells and panels, fuel cells using hydrogen produced by one (1) of the above-named electrical energy sources, and other sources of energy that become available after August 28, 2007, and are certified as renewable by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

(2) *Applicability.*

[(A)] This rule applies to [retail] electric [power suppliers] utilities and customer-generators.

(3) [Retail] *Electric [Power Supplier] Utility Obligations.*

[(A)] Each retail electric power supplier shall develop a tariff or rate schedule applicable to net metering customer-generators that shall—

1. Be made available to qualifying customer-generators upon request; and

2. Shall be posted with any other tariffs or rate schedules on the retail electric power supplier's website.

(B) Each retail electric power supplier shall provide net metering service on a first-come, first-served basis, until the total rated generating capacity used by customer-generators is equal to or in excess of the lesser of ten thousand kilowatts (10,000 kW) or one-tenth of one percent (0.1%) of the capacity necessary to meet the retail electric power supplier's aggregate customer peak demand for the preceding calendar year.

(C) Each retail electric power supplier shall notify the commission when total generating capacity of customer-generators is equal to or in excess of the lesser of ten thousand kilowatts (10,000 kW) or one-tenth of one percent (0.1%) of the capacity necessary to meet the retail electric power supplier's aggregate customer peak demand for the preceding calendar year.

(D) Each retail electric power supplier shall maintain and make available to the public, records of the total generating capacity of customer-generators, the type of generating systems and the energy sources used.

(E) The retail electric power supplier's tariff, tariff rider, or rate schedule used to provide service to the customer-generator shall be identical in rate structure, all retail rate components, and any monthly charges, to the tariff or rate schedule provisions to which the same customer would be assigned if that customer were not a customer-generator.

1. Time-of-use rates, which may be applied at the option of the retail electric power supplier, shall be the time-of-use rates applicable to the customer-generator's assigned rate classification, absent the output of the net metering unit.

(F) No retail electric power supplier's tariff or rate schedule for net metering shall require customer-generators to—

1. Perform or pay for additional tests or analysis beyond those required to determine the effect of the operation of the net metering system on the local distribution system; or

2. Purchase additional liability insurance beyond that required by section (4) of this rule.]

(A) Net metering shall be available to customer-generators on a first-come, first-served basis until the total rated generating capacity of net metering systems equals five percent (5%) of the electric utility's Missouri jurisdictional single-hour peak load during the previous year. The commission may increase the total rated generating capacity of net metering systems to an amount above five percent (5%). However, in a given calendar year, no electric utility shall be required to approve any application for interconnection if the total rated generating capacity of all applications for interconnection already approved to date by said electric utility in said calendar year equals or exceeds one percent (1%) of said electric utility's single-hour peak load for the previous calendar year.

(B) A tariff or contract shall be offered that is identical in electrical energy rates, rate structure, and monthly charges to the contract or tariff that the customer would be assigned if the customer were not an eligible customer-generator but shall not charge the customer-generator any additional standby, capacity, interconnection, or other fee or charge that would not otherwise be charged if the customer were not an eligible customer-generator.

(C) The availability of the net metering program shall be disclosed annually to each of its customers with the method and manner of disclosure being at the discretion of the electric utility.

(D) For any cause of action relating to any damages to property or person caused by the generation unit of a customer-generator or the interconnection thereof, the electric utility shall have no liability absent clear and convincing evidence of fault on the part of the supplier.

(E) Any costs incurred under this rule by an electric utility not recovered directly from the customer-generator, as identified in (5)(F), shall be recoverable in that electric utility's rate structure.

(F) No fee, charge, or other requirement not specifically identified in this rule shall be imposed unless the fee, charge, or other requirement would apply to similarly situated customers who are not customer-generators.

(4) *Customer-Generator Liability Insurance Obligation.*

(A) [The c]Customer-generator systems greater than ten kilowatts (10kW) shall carry no less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) of liability insurance that provides for coverage of all risk of liability for personal injuries (including death) and damage to property arising out of or caused by the operation of the net metering unit. Insurance may be in the form of an existing policy or an endorsement on an existing policy.

(B) Customer-generator systems ten kilowatts (10kW) or less shall not be required to carry liability insurance.

[(5) *Determination of Net Value of Energy.*

(A) Each retail electric power supplier shall calculate the net value of energy for a customer-generator in the following manner—

1. The retail electric power supplier shall individually measure both—

A. The electric energy delivered by the customer-generator to the retail electric power supplier; and

B. The electric energy provided by the retail electric power supplier to the customer-generator during each billing period by using metering capable of such function—either by a single meter capable of registering the flow of electricity in two (2) directions, or by using two (2) meters. The customer-generator is responsible for the costs of the metering described in this subsection beyond those a retail electric

power supplier would incur in providing electric service to a customer in the same rate class as the customer-generator but who is not a customer-generator.

2. If the value of the electric energy supplied by the retail electric power supplier exceeds the value of the electric energy delivered by the customer-generator to the retail electric power supplier during a billing period, then the customer-generator shall be billed for the net value of the electric energy supplied by the retail electric power supplier in accordance with the rates, terms and conditions established by the retail electric power supplier for customer-generators.

3. If the value of the electric energy delivered by the customer-generator to the retail electric power supplier exceeds the value of the electric energy supplied by the retail electric power supplier, then the customer-generator—

A. Shall be billed for the appropriate customer charges for that billing period; and

B. Shall be credited for the net value of the electric energy delivered to the retail electric power supplier during the billing period, calculated using the retail electric power supplier's avoided cost (time of use or non-time of use), with this credit appearing on the customer-generator's bill no later than the following billing period.

(B) The retail electric power supplier, at its own expense, may install additional special metering (e.g. load research meter) to monitor the flow of electricity in each direction, not to include meters needed to comply with subsection (5)(A) of this rule.]

(5) Qualified Electric Customer-Generator Obligations.

(A) Each qualified electric energy generation unit used by a customer-generator shall meet all applicable safety, performance, interconnection, and reliability standards established by any local code authorities, the National Electrical Code, the National Electrical Safety Code, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), and Underwriters Laboratories (UL) for distributed generation; including, but not limited to IEEE 1547 and UL 1741.

(B) The electric utility may require that a customer-generator's system contain a switch, circuit breaker, fuse, or other easily accessible device or feature located in immediate proximity to the customer-generator's metering equipment that would allow an electric utility worker the ability to manually and instantly disconnect the unit from the electric utility's distribution system.

(C) No consumer shall connect or operate an electric generation unit in parallel phase and synchronization with any electric utility without written approval by said electric utility that all of the requirements under subsection (7)(B) of this rule have been met. For a customer-generator who violates this provision, an electric utility may immediately and without notice disconnect the electric facilities of said customer-generator and terminate said customer-generator's electric service.

(D) A customer-generator's facility shall be equipped with sufficient metering equipment that can measure the net amount of electrical energy produced and consumed by the customer-generator. If the customer-generator's existing meter equipment does not meet these requirements or if it is necessary for the electric utility to install additional distribution equipment to accommodate the customer-generator's facility, the customer-generator shall reimburse the electric utility for the costs to purchase and install the necessary additional equipment. At the request of the customer-generator, such costs may be initially paid for by the electric utility, and any amount up to the total costs and a reasonable interest charge may be recovered from the customer-generator over the course of up to twelve (12) billing cycles. Any subsequent meter testing, maintenance or meter equipment change necessitated by the customer-generator shall be paid for by the customer-generator.

(E) Each customer-generator shall, at least once every year, conduct a test to confirm that the net metering unit automatically ceases to energize the output (interconnection equipment output voltage goes to zero (0)) within two (2) seconds of being disconnected from the electric utility's system. Disconnecting the net metering unit from the electric utility's electric system at the visible disconnect switch and measuring the time required for the unit to cease to energize the output shall satisfy this test.

(F) The customer-generator shall maintain a record of the results of these tests and, upon request, shall provide a copy of the test results to the electric utility.

1. If the customer-generator is unable to provide a copy of the test results upon request, the electric utility shall notify the customer-generator by mail that the customer-generator has thirty (30) days from the date the customer-generator receives the request to provide the results of a test to the electric utility;

2. If the customer-generator's equipment ever fails this test, the customer-generator shall immediately disconnect the net metering unit;

3. If the customer-generator does not provide the results of a test to the electric utility within thirty (30) days of receiving a request from the electric utility or the results of the test provided to the electric utility show that the unit is not functioning correctly, the electric utility may immediately disconnect the net metering unit; and

4. The net metering unit shall not be reconnected to the electric utility's electrical system by the customer-generator until the net metering unit is repaired and operating in a normal and safe manner.

(6) Determination of Net Electrical Energy. Net electrical energy measurement shall be calculated in the following manner:

(A) For a customer-generator, a electric utility shall measure the net electrical energy produced or consumed during the billing period in accordance with normal metering practices for customers in the same rate class, either by employing a single, bidirectional meter that measures the amount of electrical energy produced and consumed, or by employing multiple meters that separately measure the customer-generator's consumption and production of electricity;

(B) If the electricity supplied by the electric utility exceeds the electricity generated by the customer-generator during a billing period, the customer-generator shall be billed for the net electricity supplied by the supplier in accordance with normal practices for customers in the same rate class;

(C) If the electricity generated by the customer-generator exceeds the electricity supplied by the electric utility during a billing period, the customer-generator shall be billed for the appropriate customer charges for that billing period in accordance with section (3) of this rule and shall be credited an amount at least equal to the avoided fuel cost of the excess kilowatt-hours generated during the billing period, with this credit applied to the following billing period.

(D) Any credits granted by this subsection shall expire without any compensation at the earlier of either twelve (12) months after their issuance, or when the customer-generator disconnects service or terminates the net metering relationship with the electric utility.

[(6)](7) Interconnection Agreement.

(A) Each customer-generator and [retail] electric [power supplier] utility shall enter into the interconnection agreement included herein.

(B) Applications by a customer-generator for interconnection of a qualified electric energy generation unit to the distribution system shall be accompanied by the plan for the customer-generator's electrical generating system including, but not limited to, a wiring diagram and specifications for the generating unit, and

shall be reviewed and responded to by the electric utility within thirty (30) days of receipt for systems ten kilowatts (10 kW) or less and within ninety (90) days of receipt for all other systems. Prior to the interconnection of the qualified generation unit to the electric utility's system, the customer-generator will furnish the electric utility a certification from a qualified professional electrician or engineer that the installation meets the requirements of subsections (5)(A) and (5)(B). If the application for interconnection is approved by the electric utility and the customer-generator does not complete the interconnection within one (1) year after receipt of notice of the approval, the approval shall expire and the customer-generator shall be responsible for filing a new application.

(C) Upon the change in ownership of a qualified electric energy generation unit, the new customer-generator shall be responsible for filing a new application.

[(7)](8) *[Retail] Electric [Power Supplier] Utility Reporting Requirements.*

[(A)] Each year prior to April 15, every *[retail] electric [power supplier] utility* shall[—]:

(A) Submit an annual net metering report to the commission and make said report available to a consumer of the electric utility upon request, including the following information for the previous calendar year:

1. The total number of customer-generator facilities connected to its distribution system;
2. The total estimated generating capacity of customer-generators that are connected to its distribution system; and
3. The total estimated net kilowatt-hours received from customer-generators; and

[1.](B) Supply to the *[commission staff with] manager of the energy department of the commission* a copy of the standard information regarding net metering and interconnection requirements provided to customers or posted on the *[retail] electric [power supplier's] utility's* website. [*; and*]

[2. Supply the commission staff with a description of additional requirements, if these additional requirements are applicable to all net metering customers and not specific to individual interconnection situations, beyond those needed to meet the specific requirements outlined in section C of the interconnection agreement included herein.]

[(8) Customer-Generator Testing Requirements.

(A) Each customer-generator shall, at least once every year, conduct a test to confirm that the net metering unit automatically ceases to energize the output (interconnection equipment output voltage goes to zero) within two (2) seconds of being disconnected from the retail electric power supplier's system. Disconnecting the net metering unit from the retail electric power supplier's electric system at the visible disconnect switch and measuring the time required for the unit to cease to energize the output shall satisfy this test.

(B) The customer-generator shall maintain a record of the results of these tests and, upon request, shall provide a copy of the test results to the retail electric supplier.

1. If the customer-generator is unable to provide a copy of the test results upon request, the retail electric power supplier shall notify the customer-generator by mail that the customer-generator has thirty (30) days from the date the customer-generator receives the request to provide the results of a test to the retail electric power supplier.

2. If the customer-generator's equipment ever fails this test, the customer-generator shall immediately disconnect the net metering unit.

3. If the customer-generator does not provide the results of a test to the retail electric power supplier within thirty

(30) days of receiving a request from the retail electric power supplier or the results of the test provided to the retail electric power supplier show that the unit is not functioning correctly, the retail electric power supplier may immediately disconnect the net metering unit.

4. The net metering unit shall not be reconnected to the retail electric power supplier's electrical system by the customer-generator until the net metering unit is repaired and operating in a normal and safe manner.]

**INTERCONNECTION APPLICATION/AGREEMENT FOR NET METERING
SYSTEMS WITH CAPACITY OF *ONE HUNDRED*
*KILOWATTS (100 kW) OR LESS***

For Customers Applying for Interconnection:

If you are interested in applying for interconnection to [Utility Name]’s electrical system, you should first contact [Utility Name] and ask for information related to interconnection of parallel generation equipment to [Utility Name]’s system and you should understand this information before proceeding with this Application.

If you wish to apply for interconnection to [Utility Name]’s electrical system, please complete sections A, B, C, and D, and attach the plans and specifications, **including, but not limited to**, describing the net metering, parallel generation, and interconnection facilities (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Customer-Generator’s System”) and submit them to [Utility Name] at:

[Utility Mailing Address]

The company [You] will [be] provide[d] notice of [with an] approval or denial [of this Application] within thirty (30) days of receipt by [Utility Name] for Customer-Generators of ten kilowatts (10kW) or less and within ninety (90) days of receipt by [Utility Name] for Customer-Generators of greater than ten kilowatts (10kW). If this Application is denied, you will be provided with the reason(s) for the denial. If this Application is approved and signed by both you and [Utility Name], it shall become a binding contract and shall govern your relationship with [Utility Name].

**For Customers Who Have Received Approval of
Customer-Generator System Plans and Specifications:**

After receiving approval of your Application, it will be necessary to construct the Customer-Generator System in compliance with the plans and specifications described in the Application, complete sections E and F of this Application, and forward this Application to [Utility Name] for review and completion of section G at:

[Utility Mailing Address]

Prior to the interconnection of the qualified generation unit to [Utility Name] system, the customer-generator will furnish [Utility name] a certification from a qualified professional electrician or engineer that the installation meets the plans and specification described in the application. If the application for interconnection is approved by [Utility Name] and the customer-generator does not complete the interconnection within one (1) year after receipt of notice of the approval, the approval shall expire and the customer-generator shall be responsible for filing a new application.

[Utility Name] will complete the utility portion of section G and, upon receipt of a completed Application/Agreement form and payment of any applicable fees, **[permit] schedule a date for** interconnection of the Customer-Generator System to [Utility Name]’s electrical system within fifteen (15) days of receipt by [Utility Name] if electric service already exists to the premises, unless the Customer-Generator and [Utility Name] agree to a later date. Similarly, upon receipt of a completed Application/Agreement form and payment of any applicable fees, if electric service does not exist to the premises, [Utility Name] will **[permit] schedule a date for** interconnection of the Customer-Generator System to [Utility Name]’s electrical system no later than fifteen (15) days after service is established to the premises, unless the Customer-Generator and [Utility Name] agree to a later date.

**For Customers Who Are Assuming Ownership or Operational
Control of an Existing Customer-Generator System:**

If no changes are being made to the existing Customer-Generator System, complete sections A, D and F of this Application/Agreement and forward to [Utility Name] at:

[Utility Mailing Address]

[Utility Name] will review the new Application/Agreement and shall approve such, within fifteen (15) days of receipt by [Utility Name] if the new Customer-Generator has satisfactorily completed Application/Agreement, and no changes are being proposed to the existing Customer-Generator System. There are no fees or charges for the Customer-Generator who is assuming ownership or operational control of an existing Customer-Generator System if no modifications are being proposed to that System.

A. Customer-Generator's Information

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Service/Street Address (if different from above): _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Daytime Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____
Emergency Contact Phone: _____
[Utility Name] Account No. (from Utility Bill): _____

B. Customer-Generator's System Information

Manufacturer Name Plate (if applicable) AC Power Rating: _____ kW Voltage: _____ Volts
System Type: ☐ Solar ☐ Wind ☐ Biomass ☐ Fuel ☐ Cell ☒ **Thermal** ☐ **Photovoltaic** ☐ Other
(describe) _____
Service/Street Address: _____
Inverter/Interconnection Equipment Manufacturer: _____
Inverter/Interconnection Equipment Model No.: _____
Are Required System Plans, /&/ Specifications & **Writing Diagram** Attached? Yes ☐ No ☐
Inverter/Interconnection Equipment Location (describe): _____

Outdoor Manual/Utility Accessible & Lockable Disconnect Switch Location (describe): _____

Existing Electrical Service Capacity: _____ Amperes Voltage: _____ Volts
Service Character: Single Phase ☐ Three Phase ☐

C. Installation Information/Hardware and Installation Compliance

Person or Company Installing: _____
Contractor's License No. (if applicable): _____
Approximate Installation Date: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Daytime Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____
Person or Agency Who Will Inspect/Certify Installation: _____

The Customer-Generator's proposed System hardware complies with all applicable National Electrical Safety Code (NESC), National Electric Code (NEC), Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and Underwriters Laboratories (UL) requirements for electrical equipment and their installation. As applicable to System type, these requirements include, but are not limited to, UL 1741 and IEEE [929-2000/1547]. The proposed installation complies with all applicable local electrical codes and all reasonable safety requirements of [Utility Name]. The proposed System has a lockable, visible disconnect device, accessible at all times to [Utility Name] personnel. The System is only required to include one lockable, visible disconnect device, accessible to [Utility Name]. If the interconnection equipment is equipped with a visible, lockable, and accessible disconnect, no redundant device is needed to meet this requirement. The Customer-Generator's proposed System has functioning controls to prevent voltage flicker, DC injection, overvoltage, undervoltage, overfrequency, underfrequency, and overcurrent, and to provide for System synchronization to [Utility Name]'s electrical system. The proposed System does have an anti-islanding function that prevents the generator from continuing to supply power when [Utility Name]'s electric system is not energized or operating normally. If the proposed System is designed to provide uninterruptible power to critical loads, either through energy storage or back-up generation, the proposed System includes a parallel blocking scheme for this backup source that prevents any backflow of power to [Utility Name]'s electrical system when the electrical system is not energized or not operating normally.

Signed (Installer): _____ Date: _____

Name (Print): _____

D. Additional Terms and Conditions

In addition to abiding by [Utility Name]'s other applicable rules and regulations, the Customer-Generator understands and agrees to the following specific terms and conditions:

1) Operation/Disconnection

If it appears to [Utility Name], at any time, in the reasonable exercise of its judgment, that operation of the Customer-Generator's System is adversely affecting safety, power quality or reliability of [Utility Name]'s electrical system, [Utility Name] may immediately disconnect and lock-out the Customer-Generator's System from [Utility Name]'s electrical system. The Customer-Generator shall permit [Utility Name]'s employees and inspectors reasonable access to inspect, test, and examine the Customer-Generator's System.

2) Liability

Liability insurance is not required for Customer-Generators of ten kilowatts (10 kW) or less. For generators greater than ten kilowatts (10kW), /T/the Customer-Generator agrees to carry no less than \$100,000 of liability insurance that provides for coverage of all risk of liability for personal injuries (including death) and damage to property arising out of or caused by the operation of the Customer-Generator's System. Insurance may be in the form of an existing policy or an endorsement on an existing policy.

[3) Interconnection Costs

The Customer-Generator shall, at the Customer-Generator's cost and expense, install, operate, maintain, repair, and inspect, and shall be fully responsible for the Customer-Generator's System. The Customer-Generator further agrees to pay or reimburse to [Utility Name] all of [Utility Name]'s Interconnection Costs. Interconnection Costs are the reasonable costs incurred by [Utility Name] for: (1) additional tests or analyses of the effects of the operation of the Customer-Generator's System on [Utility Name]'s local distribution system, (2) additional metering, and (3) any necessary controls. These Interconnection Costs must be related to the installation of the physical facilities necessary to permit interconnected operation of the Customer-Generator's System with [Utility Name]'s system and shall only include those costs, or corresponding costs, which would not have been incurred by [Utility Name] in

providing service to the Customer-Generator solely as a consumer of electric energy from [Utility Name] pursuant to [Utility Name]’s standard cost of service policies in effect at the time the Customer-Generator’s System is first interconnected with [Utility Name]’s system. Upon request, [Utility Name] shall provide the Customer-Generator with a not-to-exceed cost statement for interconnection with [Utility Name]’s based upon the plans and specifications provided by the Customer-Generator to [Utility Name].]

3) Metering and Distribution Costs

A customer-generator’s facility shall be equipped with sufficient metering equipment that can measure the net amount of electrical energy produced or consumed by the customer-generator. If the customer-generator’s existing meter equipment does not meet these requirements or if it is necessary for [Utility Name] to install additional distribution equipment to accommodate the customer-generator’s facility, the customer-generator shall reimburse [Utility Name] for the costs to purchase and install the necessary additional equipment. At the request of the customer-generator, such costs may be initially paid for by [Utility Name], and any amount up to the total costs and a reasonable interest charge may be recovered from the customer-generator over the course of up to twelve (12) billing cycles. Any subsequent meter testing, maintenance or meter equipment change necessitated by the customer-generator shall be paid for by the customer-generator.

4) Energy Pricing and Billing

[Section 386.887, RSMo Supp. 2002 sets forth the valuation and billing of electric energy provided by [Utility Name] to the Customer-Generator and to [Utility Name] from Customer-Generator.] The *[value of the]* net electric energy delivered to the Customer-Generator shall be billed in accordance with rate schedule(s) [Utility’s Applicable Rate Schedules]. The value of the electric energy delivered by the Customer-Generator to [Utility Name] shall be credited in accordance with rate schedule(s) [Utility’s Applicable Rate Schedules].

Net electrical energy measurement shall be calculated in the following manner:

(a) For a customer-generator, a retail electric supplier shall measure the net electrical energy produced or consumed during the billing period in accordance with normal metering practices for customers in the same rate class, either by employing a single, bidirectional meter that measures the amount of electrical energy produced and consumed, or by employing multiple meters that separately measure the customer-generator’s consumption and production of electricity;

(b) If the electricity supplied by the supplier exceeds the electricity generated by the customer-generator during a billing period, the customer-generator shall be billed for the net electricity supplied by the supplier in accordance with normal practices for customers in the same rate class;

(c) If the electricity generated by the customer-generator exceeds the electricity supplied by the supplier during a billing period, the customer-generator shall be billed for the appropriate customer charges for that billing period and shall be credited an amount at least equal to the avoided fuel cost of the excess kilowatt-hours generated during the billing period, with this credit applied to the following billing period.

(d) Any credits granted by this subsection shall expire without any compensation at the earlier of either twelve (12) months after their issuance, or when the customer-generator disconnects service or terminates the net metering relationship with the supplier.

5) Terms and Termination Rights

This Agreement becomes effective when signed by both the Customer-Generator and [Utility Name], and shall continue in effect until terminated. After fulfillment of any applicable initial tariff or rate schedule term, the Customer-Generator may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving [Utility Name] at least thirty (30) days prior written notice. In such event, the Customer-Generator shall, no later than the date of termination of Agreement, completely disconnect the Customer-Generator’s System from parallel operation

with [Utility Name]'s system. Either party may terminate this Agreement by giving the other party at least thirty (30) days prior written notice that the other party is in default of any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, so long as the notice specifies the basis for termination, and there is an opportunity to cure the default. This Agreement may also be terminated at any time by mutual agreement of the Customer-Generator and [Utility Name]. This agreement may also be terminated, by approval of the Commission, if there is a change in statute that is determined to be applicable to this contract and necessitates its termination.

6) Transfer of Ownership

If operational control of the Customer-Generator's System transfers to any other party than the Customer-Generator, a new Application/Agreement must be completed by the person or persons taking over operational control of the existing Customer-Generator System. [Utility Name] shall be notified no less than thirty (30) days before the Customer-Generator anticipates transfer of operational control of the Customer-Generator's System. The person or persons taking over operational control of Customer-Generator's System must file a new Application/Agreement, and must receive authorization from [Utility Name], before the existing Customer-Generator System can remain interconnected with [Utility Name]'s electrical system. The new Application/Agreement will only need to be completed to the extent necessary to affirm that the new person or persons having operational control of the existing Customer-Generator System completely understand the provisions of this Application/Agreement and agree to them. If no changes are being made to the Customer-Generator's System, completing sections A, D and F of this Application/Agreement will satisfy this requirement. If no changes are being proposed to the Customer-Generator System, [Utility Name] will assess no charges or fees for this transfer. [Utility Name] will review the new Application/Agreement and shall approve such, within fifteen (15) days if the new Customer-Generator has satisfactorily completed the Application/Agreement, and no changes are being proposed to the existing Customer-Generator System. [Utility Name] will then complete section G and forward a copy of the completed Application/Agreement back to the new Customer-Generator, thereby notifying the new Customer-Generator that the new Customer-Generator is authorized to operate the existing Customer-Generator System in parallel with [Utility Name]'s electrical system. If any changes are planned to be made to the existing Customer-Generator System that in any way may degrade or significantly alter that System's output characteristics, then the Customer-Generator shall submit to [Utility Name] a new Application/Agreement for the entire Customer-Generator System and all portions of the Application/Agreement must be completed.

7) Dispute Resolution

If any disagreements between the Customer-Generator and [Utility Name] arise that cannot be resolved through normal negotiations between them, the disagreements may be brought to the Missouri Public Service Commission by either party, through an informal or formal complaint. Procedures for filing and processing these complaints are described in 4 CSR 240-2.070. The complaint procedures described in 4 CSR 240-2.070 apply only to retail electric power suppliers to the extent that they are regulated by the Missouri Public Service Commission.

8) Testing Requirement

IEEE 1547 requires periodic testing of all interconnection related protective functions. The Customer-Generator must, at least once every year, conduct a test to confirm that the Customer-Generator's net metering unit automatically ceases to energize the output (interconnection equipment output voltage goes to zero) within two (2) seconds of being disconnected from [Utility Name]'s electrical system. Disconnecting the net metering unit from [Utility Name]'s electrical system at the visible disconnect switch and measuring the time required for the unit to cease to energize the output shall satisfy this test. The Customer-Generator shall maintain a record of the results of these tests and, upon request by [Utility Name], shall provide a copy of the test results to [Utility Name]. If the Customer-Generator is unable to provide a copy of the test results upon request, [Utility Name] shall notify the Customer-Generator by mail that

Customer-Generator has thirty (30) days from the date the Customer-Generator receives the request to provide to [Utility Name], the results of a test. If the Customer-Generator's equipment ever fails this test, the Customer-Generator shall immediately disconnect the Customer-Generator's System from [Utility Name]'s system. If the Customer-Generator does not provide results of a test to [Utility Name] within thirty (30) days of receiving a request from [Utility Name] or the results of the test provided to [Utility Name] show that the Customer-Generator's net metering unit is not functioning correctly, [Utility Name] may immediately disconnect the Customer-Generator's System from [Utility Name]'s system. The Customer-Generator's System shall not be reconnected to [Utility Name]'s electrical system by the customer-generator until the Customer-Generator's System is repaired and operating in a normal and safe manner.

I have read, understand, and accept the provisions of Section D, subsections 1 through 8 of this Application/Agreement.

Signed (Customer-Generator): _____ Date: _____

E. Electrical Inspection

The Customer-Generator System referenced above satisfies all requirements noted in Section C.

Inspector Name (print): _____

Inspector Certification: *// am a/* Licensed Engineer in Missouri ____ */or I am a/* Licensed Electrician in Missouri ____ License No. _____

Signed (Inspector): _____ Date: _____

F. Customer-Generator Acknowledgement

I am aware of the Customer-Generator System installed on my premises and I have been given warranty information and/or an operational manual for that system. Also, I have been provided with a copy of [Utility Name]'s parallel generation tariff or rate schedule (as applicable) and interconnection requirements. I am familiar with the operation of the Customer-Generator System.

I agree to abide by the terms of this Application/Agreement and I agree to operate and maintain the Customer-Generator System in accordance with the manufacturer's recommended practices as well as [Utility Name]'s interconnection standards. If, at any time and for any reason, I believe that the Customer-Generator System is operating in an unusual manner that may result in any disturbances on [Utility Name]'s electrical system, I shall disconnect the Customer-Generator System and not reconnect it to [Utility Name]'s electrical system until the Customer-Generator System is operating normally after repair or inspection. Further, I agree to notify [Utility Name] no less than thirty (30) days prior to modification of the components or design of the Customer-Generator System that in any way may degrade or significantly alter that System's output characteristics. I acknowledge that any such modifications will require submission of a new Application/Agreement to [Utility Name].

I agree not to operate the Customer-Generator System in parallel with [Utility Name]'s electrical system until this Application/Agreement has been approved by [Utility Name].

Signed (Customer-Generator): _____ Date: _____

G. Utility Application Approval (*completed by [Utility Name]*)

[Utility Name] does not, by approval of this Application/Agreement, assume any responsibility or liability for damage to property or physical injury to persons due to malfunction of the Customer-Generator's System or the Customer-Generator's negligence.

This Application is approved by [Utility Name] on this _____ day of _____ (month), _____ (year).

[Utility Name] Representative Name (print): _____

Signed [Utility Name] Representative: _____

AUTHORITY: section[s] 386.250, RSMo 2000 [and 386.887, RSMo Supp. 2002]. Original rule filed March 11, 2003, effective Aug. 30, 2003. Amended: Filed June 17, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file comments in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Public Service Commission, Colleen M. Dale, Secretary of the Commission, PO Box 360, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considered, written comments must be received at the commission's offices on or before September 2, 2008, and should include a reference to Commission Case No. EX-2008-0280. If comments are submitted via a paper filing, an original and eight (8) copies of the comments are required. Comments may also be submitted via a filing using the commission's electronic filing and information system at <<http://www.psc.mo.gov/efis.asp>>. A public hearing regarding this proposed amendment is scheduled for September 2, 2008, at 1:00 pm in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. Interested persons may appear at this hearing to submit additional comments and/or testimony in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment, and may be asked to respond to commission questions.

SPECIAL NEEDS: Any persons with special needs as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing at one (1) of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline 1-800-829-7541.

**Title 9—DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
Division 10—Director, Department of Mental Health
Chapter 31—Reimbursement for Services**

PROPOSED RULE

9 CSR 10-31.030 Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded Federal Reimbursement Allowance

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the formula to determine the Federal Reimbursement Allowance for each Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR) operated primarily for the care and treatment of mental retardation/developmental disabilities. This rule applies to both private ICF/MRs and ICF/MR facilities operated by the Department of Mental Health and requires these facilities to pay for the privilege of engaging in the business of providing ICF/MR services to individuals in Missouri.

(1) The following words and terms, as used in this rule, mean:

(A) Base cost report. MO HealthNet cost report for the second prior fiscal year relative to the State Fiscal Year (SFY) for which the assessment is being calculated. (For example, the SFY 2009 Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA) assessment will be determined using the ICF/MR cost report from FY 2007.)

(B) Department. Department of Mental Health.

(C) Director. Director of the Department of Mental Health.

(D) Division. Division of Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities, Department of Mental Health.

(E) Engaging in the business of providing residential habilitation care. Accepting payment for ICF/MR services rendered.

(F) Fiscal period. Twelve (12)-month reporting period determined by the State Fiscal Year.

(G) Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR). A private or department facility that admits persons who are mentally retarded or developmentally disabled for residential habilitation and other services pursuant to Chapter 630, RSMo, and that has been certified to meet the conditions of participation under 42 CFR 483, Subpart I.

(H) Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded Federal Reimbursement Allowance (ICF/MRFRA). The assessment paid by each ICF/MR.

(I) Net revenues. Gross revenues less bad debts, less charity care, and less contractual allowances.

(J) Trend factor. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Prospective Payment System Skilled Nursing Facility Input Price Index (SNF IPI) four (4) quarter moving average. (Source: GLOBAL INSIGHT, INC, 4th Qtr, 2007) (4 Quarter Moving Average Percent Changes in the CMS Prospective Payment System Skilled Nursing Facility Input Price Index (SNF IPI) using Forecast Assumptions, by Expense Category: 1990-2017)

(2) Each ICF/MR operated primarily for the care and treatment of mental retardation/developmental disabilities engaging in the business of providing residential habilitation and other services in Missouri shall pay an ICF/MRFRA. The ICF/MRFRA shall be calculated by the department as follows:

(A) Beginning on July 1, 2008, and each year thereafter, the ICF/MRFRA annual assessment shall be five and forty-nine hundredths percent (5.49%) of the ICF/MR's net revenues determined from the base cost report relative to the State Fiscal Year for which the assessment is being calculated. The cost report shall be trended forward from the second prior year to the current fiscal year by applying the SNF IPI trend factor for each year under the ICF/MRFRA calculation;

(B) The annual assessment shall be divided into twelve (12) equal amounts and collected over the number of months the assessment is effective. The assessment is made payable to the director of the Department of Revenue to be deposited in the state treasury in the ICF/MRFRA Fund;

(C) If an ICF/MR does not have a base cost report, net revenues shall be estimated as follows:

1. Net revenues shall be determined by computation of the ICF/MR's projected annual patient days multiplied by its interim established per diem rate; and

(D) The ICF/MRFRA assessment for ICF/MRs that merge operation under one (1) MO HealthNet provider number shall be determined as follows:

1. The previously determined ICF/MRFRA assessment for each ICF/MR shall be combined under the active MO HealthNet provider number for the remainder of the State Fiscal Year after the division receives official notification of the merger; and

2. The ICF/MRFRA assessment for subsequent fiscal years shall be based on the combined data for both facilities.

(3) The department shall prepare a notification schedule of the information from each ICF/MR's second prior year cost report and provide each ICF/MR with this schedule.

(A) The schedule shall include:

1. Provider name;
2. Provider number;
3. Fiscal period;
4. Total number of licensed beds;
5. Total bed days;
6. Net revenues; and

7. Total amount of the assessment for the State Fiscal Year for which the assessment is being calculated and monthly assessment amount due each month.

(B) Each ICF/MR required to pay the ICF/MRFRA shall review this information, and if it is not correct, the ICF/MR must notify the department of such within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the notification schedule. If the ICF/MR fails to submit the corrected data within the fifteen (15)-day time period, the ICF/MR shall be barred from submitting corrected data later to have its ICF/MRFRA assessment adjusted.

(4) Payment of ICF/MRFRA Assessment.

(A) Each ICF/MR may request that its ICF/MRFRA be offset against any MO HealthNet payment due. A statement authorizing the offset must be on file with the MO HealthNet Division before any offset may be made relative to the ICF/MRFRA. Any balance due after the offset shall be remitted by the ICF/MR to the department. The remittance shall be made payable to the director of the Department of Revenue. If the remittance is not received before the next MO HealthNet payment cycle, the MO HealthNet Division shall offset the balance due from that check.

(B) If no offset has been authorized by the ICF/MR, the MO HealthNet Division will begin collecting the ICF/MRFRA on the first day of each month. The ICF/MRFRA shall be remitted by the ICF/MR facility to the MO HealthNet Division. The remittance shall be made payable to the director of the Department of Revenue and deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the ICF/MRFRA Fund.

(C) If the ICF/MR is delinquent in the payment of its ICF/MRFRA assessment, the director of the Department of Social Services shall withhold and remit to the Department of Revenue an amount equal to the assessment from any payment made by the MO HealthNet Division to the ICF/MR provider.

AUTHORITY: section 630.050, RSMo 2000 and section 633.401, HCS for SCS for Senate Bill 1081, 94th General Assembly (signed June 25, 2008). Emergency rule filed July 1, 2008, effective July 11, 2008, expires Dec. 28, 2008. Original rule filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed rule will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate in SFY 2009.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed rule will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in SFY 2009.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed rule with the Office of the Director, Department of Mental Health, 1706 East Elm Street, Jefferson City, MO 65101. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. If to be hand-delivered, comments must be brought to the Department of Mental Health, 1706 East Elm Street, Jefferson City, MO 65101. No public hearing is scheduled.

Title 10—DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Division 23—Division of Geology and Land Survey
Chapter 2—Well Drillers and Pump Installers
Permitting

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

10 CSR 23-2.010 Fee Structure. The division is amending sections (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), and (10).

PURPOSE: The purpose of this amendment is to increase the maximum fee levels used in permitting well installation, heat pump installation, monitoring well installation, pump installation contractors and in certification and/or registration of wells and for examinations relating to the permitting process.

(1) Each well installation, heat pump installation, monitoring well installation, monitoring-test hole installation, and pump installation contractor will pay a yearly permit fee of no more than *[one hundred dollars (\$100)] one hundred fifty dollars (\$150)* for each type of permit issued. Each drilling machine or pump service rig will be charged a yearly fee of no more than *[twenty dollars (\$20)] fifty dollars (\$50)* each.

(2) Well certification fees will be paid by the well owner and collected and submitted by the well installation or pump installation contractor and will be sent to the division by the contractor within sixty (60) days of completion. This fee will be no more than *[thirty-five dollars (\$35)] one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125)* per well.

(3) Well registration fees will be paid by the well owner and collected and submitted by the well installation, heat pump installation, monitoring well installation, monitoring-test hole installation, or pump installation contractor within sixty (60) days of completion. Registration report forms are required for plugging of wells, raising of casing, lining of wells, deepening of wells, major repairs and alteration to wells, and drilling of jetted wells unless exempted. Concerning the plugging of mineral exploratory wells, the company or person for whom the well is drilled must pay the fee and submit a registration report form. When work performed on a well fits the registration report criteria, and that work is performed by the well owner, the well owner is required to submit the appropriate report form and fee. This fee will be no more than *[fifteen dollars (\$15)] one hundred dollars (\$100)* per well. Documentation for holes drilled and plugged under the requirements of 10 CSR 23-6.010–10 CSR 23-6.060 must be **submitted** on a registration report form.

(4) Monitoring well certification fees will be paid by the owner or *[geohydrology] primary* contractor, *[and]* collected within sixty (60) days of completion, **and** submitted to the division by the monitoring well installation contractor. This fee will be no more than *[seventy-five dollars (\$75)] one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175)* per well.

(5) Open-loop and closed-loop heat pump well certification fees will be paid by the owner and collected and submitted by the heat pump installation contractor to the division within sixty (60) days of completion. This fee will be determined by the ton rating of the heat pump machine as shown in the following. When more than one (1) heat pump machine is hooked together, the cumulative total of the ton rating will be used to determine the fee. The fee will be no more than *[—]*:

(A) One to fifty (1–50) ton heat pump unit	<i>[\$75]</i> \$150
(B) Over fifty (50) ton heat pump unit	<i>[\$150]</i> \$250.

(10) Testing fees will be no more than as listed—

(A) General Test	<i>[\$40]</i> \$50
(B) Well Driller Contractor Test	<i>[\$40]</i> \$50
(C) Pump Contractor Test	<i>[\$40]</i> \$50
(D) Heat Pump Contractor Test	<i>[\$40]</i> \$50
(E) Monitoring Well Contractor Test	<i>[\$40]</i> \$50
(F) Monitoring-Test Hole Contractor Test	<i>[\$40]</i> \$50
(G) Retakes (for each test)	<i>[\$40]</i> \$50.

AUTHORITY: sections 256.606, 256.614, 256.623, and 256.626, RSMo [1994] 2000. Emergency rule filed July 2, 1986, effective July 12, 1986, expired November 2, 1986. Original rule filed July 2, 1986, effective October 27, 1986. For intervening history, please consult the Code of State Regulations. Amended: Filed June 24, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will cost state agencies or political subdivisions eight thousand nine hundred thirty-seven dollars (\$8,937) annually.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will cost private entities five hundred twenty thousand two hundred eighty-three dollars (\$520,283) annually.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Environmental Quality, Sheri Fry, PO Box 250, Rolla, MO 65402 or via email at sheri.fry@dnr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received by close of business on September 5, 2008. A public hearing is scheduled for September 2, 2008 at the Department of Natural Resources' Division of Geology and Land Survey Multi-Purpose Building, 111 Fairgrounds Road, Rolla, MO 65402. The public hearing will begin at 9:00 a.m.

FISCAL NOTE

PUBLIC COST

I. RULE NUMBER

Rule Number and Name:	10 CSR 23-2.010 Fee Structure
Type of Rulemaking:	Amendment

II. SUMMARY OF FISCAL IMPACT

Affected Agency or Political Subdivision	Estimated Cost of Compliance in the Aggregate																				
Department of Natural Resources – Cost of Implementation	Forms Management: Approximately \$1000 in the aggregate to compensate for any forms that will have to be discarded or recycled when new fees become effective. Also there will be some costs of notification to regulated entities when rule becomes effective. These costs are expected to be incurred in the first year of the rule and are thus included in the annualized cost of the rule, for the first year only.																				
Any state agencies (including DNR), any local government or other political subdivisions that would require a permit to do regulated well construction work or has a monitoring, heat pump or water well installed on their property.	<table> <tr><td>Water Well Reports</td><td>\$2,565</td></tr> <tr><td>Monitoring Well Reports</td><td>\$ 425</td></tr> <tr><td>Heat Pump Reports (1-50 Ton)</td><td>\$ 38</td></tr> <tr><td>Heat Pump Reports (over 50 Tons)</td><td>\$ 50</td></tr> <tr><td>Abandonment and Reconstruction Reports</td><td>\$1,505</td></tr> <tr><td>Permits (contractors)</td><td>\$2,500</td></tr> <tr><td>Permits (vehicles)</td><td>\$ 330</td></tr> <tr><td>Testing Fees</td><td>\$ 25</td></tr> <tr><td>Late Fees (NA)</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>TOTAL</td><td>\$7,937</td></tr> </table>	Water Well Reports	\$2,565	Monitoring Well Reports	\$ 425	Heat Pump Reports (1-50 Ton)	\$ 38	Heat Pump Reports (over 50 Tons)	\$ 50	Abandonment and Reconstruction Reports	\$1,505	Permits (contractors)	\$2,500	Permits (vehicles)	\$ 330	Testing Fees	\$ 25	Late Fees (NA)		TOTAL	\$7,937
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Grand Total Public Entity Costs (Annualized)	\$8,937																				

III. Worksheet

Proposed Fees listed in the proposed amendment are maximums. Actual fees charged are determined by the Well Installation Board Annually based on the requirements of the program as outlined in the statute. The mean of the difference in the proposed maximum fee and current maximum fee multiplied by the number of units received is used as the annualized aggregate cost of the amendment to rule. In actuality, the first five to seven years of the rule less per year where the last several years will be more per year.

	Proposed Maximum - Maximum	Current Maximum	=	Divided by 2	=	Mean of the difference or annualized cost per unit
Water Well Reports	\$125	\$ 35	\$ 90	/2		\$45
Monitoring Well Reports	\$125	\$ 75	\$ 50	/2		\$25
Heat Pump Reports (1-50 Ton)	\$150	\$ 75	\$ 75	/2		\$38
Heat Pump Reports (> 50 Ton)	\$250	\$150	\$100	/2		\$50
*Abandonment and Reconstruction Reports	\$100	\$15	\$ 85	/2		\$43
Permits (contractors)	\$150	\$100	\$ 50	/2		\$25
Permits (vehicles)	\$ 50	\$ 20	\$ 30	/2		\$15
Testing Fees	\$ 50	\$ 40	\$ 10	/2		\$ 5
Late Fees 10/mo up to	\$240	\$240	-0-	/2		-0-

* We do not charge at this time for these records, although the current maximum is \$15. We hope to encourage proper plugging of abandoned wells. We may charge for them in the future especially for the records on reconstruction of wells or plugging of abandoned monitoring wells and maybe others as time goes on. Therefore, the formula is somewhat skewed for this type of record. The actual annualized cost per unit should be somewhat lower.

Type of Revenue	X	Average number of Units Per year Paid for by Public Entities (see Assumptions)	X	Annualized Cost per unit to Public Entities	=	Total Annualized Cost per type of Revenue
Water Well Reports		57		\$45		\$2,565
Monitoring Well Reports		17		\$25		\$ 425
Heat Pump Reports (1-50 Ton)		1		\$38		\$ 38
Heat Pump Reports (over 50 Tons)		1		\$50		\$ 50
Abandonment and Reconstruction Reports		35		\$43		\$1,505
Permits (contractors)		100		\$25		\$2,500
Permits (vehicles)		22		\$15		\$ 330
Testing Fees		5		\$ 5		\$ 25
Late Fees (There is no difference in the rule for these fees, therefore no additional costs are realized.)						

Total Annualized Cost to Public Entities. \$7,937
The cost to DNR to implement this amendment in the first year. \$1,000
Amendment's Public Entity Total Cost first Year: \$8,937

Aggregate Cost to Public Entities over the life of the amendment to the rule: (Total Annualized Cost to Public Entities or \$7,937 X 15 yrs) + (DNR cost to implement the amendment during the first year, or \$1,000) = \$120,055.

The current rule, without this amendment brings in approximately \$650,000 per year. Public Entities pay approximately 2% of this cost, or \$13,000 per year. New rule as amended will result in Public Entity costs of approximately \$22,000 annually (\$13,000 + \$9,000).

New Rule as amended will result in aggregate costs of approximately \$330,000 over the 15 year life of the rule (\$22,000 x 15 years).

IV. Assumptions

1. There are approximately 5700 water well reports received each year. Of these approximately 1% is paid for by Public Entities.
2. There are approximately 1700 monitoring well reports received each year. Of these approximately 1% is paid for by Public Entities.
3. There are approximately 75 Heat pump system reports received each year for systems that are > 50 ton. Of these approximately 5% are paid for by Public Entities.
4. There are approximately 100 Heat pump system reports received each year that are 50 ton or less. Of these approximately 1% are paid for by Public Entities
5. There are approximately 3500 Abandonment and reconstruction reports received each year. Of these approximately 1% are submitted by Public Entities.
6. There are approximately 2100 different permits issued or renewed each year. Approximately 5% of those are permitted contractors that are employed by Public Entities.
7. We administer approximately 250 proficiency tests per year. Of these approximately 2% are taken by public employees.
8. There are approximately 1125 vehicles permitted or renewed each year. Approximately 2% of these are owned by Public Entities. There is no fee increase proposed for these revenues and they are part of the overall \$650,000 collected annually.
9. The program collects approximately \$60,000 per year in late document fees. These fees are paid by drilling contractors. About 1% of these fees are paid by public entities.
10. The life of this rule is 15 years.

**FISCAL NOTE
PRIVATE COST****I. RULE NUMBER**

Rule Number and Name	10 CSR 23-2.010 Fee Structure
Type of Rulemaking	Amendment

II. SUMMARY OF FISCAL IMPACT

Estimate of the number of entities by class which would likely be affected by the adoption of the proposed rule:	Classification by types of the business entities which would likely be affected:	Estimate in the aggregate as to the cost of compliance with the rule by the affected entities:
643	Various businesses that have water wells drilled	\$ 28,935
5,000	Homeowners who have wells drilled will pay Certification Fees	\$225,000
1600	Businesses that have monitoring wells drilled	\$ 40,000
83	Private Citizens who have monitoring wells drilled	\$ 2,075
90	Businesses that have heat pump systems installed (over 50 ton)	\$ 4,500
9	Private Citizens who have heat pump systems installed (over 50 ton)	\$ 450
50	Businesses that have heat pump systems installed (1- 50 ton)	\$ 1,900
21	Private Citizens who have heat pump systems installed (1- 50 ton)	\$ 798
1000	Businesses that have wells reconstructed or abandoned	\$ 43,000
2465	Private Citizens who have wells reconstructed or abandoned	\$105,995
1995	Drilling and Pump Businesses that require new or renewed drilling or pump permits	\$ 49,875
1102	Drilling and Pump Businesses that require new or renewed permits for vehicles.	\$ 16,530
245	Drilling and Pump Businesses that have employees that need to pass tests for new permits	\$ 1,225
TOTAL ANNUALIZED COST	All Entities	\$520,283

III. Worksheet

Proposed Fees listed in the proposed amendment are maximums. Actual fees charged are determined by the Well Installation Board Annually based on the requirements of the program as outlined in the statute. The mean of the difference in the proposed maximum fee and current maximum fee multiplied by the number of units received is being used as the annualized aggregate cost of the amendment to rule. In actuality, the first five to seven years of the rule will be less per year where the last several years will be more per year.

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* We do not charge at this time for these records, although the current maximum is \$15. We hope to encourage proper plugging of abandoned wells. We may charge for them in the future especially for the records on reconstruction of wells or plugging of abandoned monitoring wells and maybe others as time goes on. Therefore, the formula is somewhat skewed for this type of record. The actual annualized cost per unit should be somewhat lower.

Type of Revenue	X	Average number of Units Per year Paid for by Private Entities (see Assumptions)	X	Annualized Cost per unit to Private Entities	=	Total Annualized Cost per type of Revenue
Water Well Reports		5,643		\$45		\$253,935
Monitoring Well Reports		1,683		\$25		\$ 42,075
Heat Pump Reports (1-50 Ton)		71		\$38		\$ 2,698
Heat Pump Reports (over 50 Tons)		99		\$50		\$ 4,950
Abandonment and Reconstruction Reports		3,465		\$43		\$148,995
Permits (contractors)		1,995		\$25		\$ 49,875
Permits (vehicles)		1,102		\$15		\$ 16,530
Testing Fees		245		\$ 5		\$ 1,225
Late Fees (There is no difference in the rule for these fees, therefore no additional annualized costs are realized.)						

Total Annualized Cost to Private Entities. \$520,283

Aggregate Cost to Private Entities over the life of the amendment to the rule: (Total Annualized Cost to Private Entities or \$520,283 X 15 yrs) = \$7,804,245.

The current rule, without this amendment brings in approximately \$650,000 per year. Private Entities pay approximately 98% of this cost, or \$637,000 per year. New rule as amended will result in Private Entity costs of approximately \$1,157,283 annually (\$520,283 + \$637,000).

New Rule as amended will result in aggregate costs of approximately \$17,359,245 over the 15 year life of the rule (\$1,157,283 x 15 years).

IV. Assumptions

1. There are approximately 5700 water well reports received each year. Of these approximately 99% is paid for by Private Entities (643 businesses and 5000 homeowners).
2. There are approximately 1700 monitoring well reports received each year. Of these approximately 99% is paid for by Private Entities. (Most if not all of those are businesses)
3. There are approximately 75 Heat pump system reports received each year for systems that are > 50 ton. Of these approximately 95% are paid for by Private Entities. (most large systems are businesses)
4. There are approximately 100 Heat pump system reports received each year that are 50 ton or less. Of these approximately 99% are paid for by Private Entities (about 1/2 of these are businesses the rest are homeowners)
5. There are approximately 3500 Abandonment and reconstruction reports received each year. Of these approximately 99% are submitted by Private Entities. (~465 are businesses, 3000 are homeowners)
6. There are approximately 2100 different permits issued or renewed each year. Approximately 95% of those are permitted contractors that are employed by Private business entities.
7. We administer approximately 250 proficiency tests per year. Of these approximately 98% are taken by Private business employees.
8. There are approximately 1125 vehicles permitted or renewed each year. Approximately 98% of these are owned by Private business entities.
9. The program collects approximately \$60,000 per year in late document fees. These fees are paid by drilling contractors. About 99% of these fees are paid by private entities (drilling and pump companies). There is no fee increase proposed for these revenues and they are part of the overall \$650,000 collected annually.
10. The life of this rule is 15 years.

**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Division 75—Peace Officer Standards and Training
Program
Chapter 1—Administration**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-1.010 General Organization. The department is amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this amendment is to change the Authority.

AUTHORITY: sections [590.110, RSMo Supp. 2003] 590.020, 590.030, 590.040, 590.050, 590.060, 590.120, and 590.190, RSMo Supp. 2007. Original rule filed Aug. 12, 1980, effective Nov. 13, 1980. For intervening history, please consult the *Code of State Regulations*. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with Jeremy Spratt, Missouri Department of Public Safety Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Program Manager, PO Box 749, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Division 75—Peace Officer Standards and Training
Program
Chapter 2—Definitions**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-2.010 Definitions. The department is amending subsection (1)(B) and the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment further defines a high school program of education. The amendment also corrects the acronym GED and identifies that on-line or computer-based high school programs are not accepted by the Peace Officer and Standards Training Program as a high school program of education.

(1) For the purposes of 11 CSR 75:

(B) The term “high school diploma or its equivalent” shall mean any of the following:

1. A high school diploma from an attendance-based, accredited high school[;] and not an on-line or computer-based high school program;

2. A General Education [Diploma] Development (GED) certificate;

[3. Valid admission by an accredited college or university or substantial evidence of eligibility for admission by an accredited college or university; or]

3. A diploma from a high school program of education under Chapter 167, RSMo; or

4. Passage of the United States Military Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery Exam. In addition to passing the exam, the applicant must obtain a score on the exam that would qualify them for a position as a military peace officer.

AUTHORITY: section [590.120, RSMo Supp. 2001] 590.190, RSMo Supp. 2007. Original rule filed Aug. 12, 1980, effective Nov. 13, 1980. For intervening history, please consult the *Code of State Regulations*. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Division 75—Peace Officer Standards and Training
Program
Chapter 13—Peace Officer Licenses**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-13.010 Classification of Peace Officer Licenses. The department is amending subsections (1)(E) through (G) and the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment removes the license classification A-PC. The Missouri Police Corps lost all federal funding and is no longer in existence. This amendment also reflects a Class D license, which had to be developed pursuant to section 590.040.1(5), RSMo.

(1) Every peace officer license shall be classified according to the type of commission for which it is valid:

[(F)](E) Class A-PC. Valid for any commission, except commission with the Missouri State Highway Patrol, the Missouri State Water Patrol, and the Missouri Conservation Commission. Must be a graduate of the Missouri Police Corps.]

[(F)](E) Class B. Valid for any commission, except commission by a first class county with a charter form of government, a political subdivision located within a first class county with a charter form of government, a city not within a county, the Missouri State Highway Patrol, the Missouri State Water Patrol, or the Missouri Conservation Commission.

[(G)](F) Class C. Valid only for commission within a third class county pursuant to section 590.040.1(4), RSMo and only for the particular commission held by the licensee on July 1, 2002, or a commission that the director has determined to be similar pursuant to section 590.040.2, RSMo.

(G) Class D. Valid only for commission as a reserve peace officer within a county having more than one (1) million inhabitants and with either a charter form of government or of the first classification pursuant to section 590.040.1(5), RSMo.

AUTHORITY: sections [590.020.2, 590.030.6, and 590.040.2] 590.020, 590.030, 590.040, and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2004] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed April 25, 2003, effective Oct. 30, 2003. Amended: Filed Aug. 2, 2004, effective Jan. 30, 2005. Amended: Filed Nov. 1, 2004, effective April 30, 2005. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with Jeremy Spratt, Missouri Department of Public Safety Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Program Manager, PO Box 749, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Division 75—Peace Officer Standards and Training
Program
Chapter 13—Peace Officer Licenses**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-13.020 Procedure to Obtain New Peace Officer License. The department is adding subsection (3)(D), amending subsections (3)(B) and (C) and section (5), adding a new section (6), renumbering the remaining sections, amending the newly numbered section (8), and amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment reflects a Class D license, which had to be developed pursuant to section 590.040.1(5), RSMo. This amendment also reflects our current requirement that all applicants be fingerprinted by way of the live-scan method as approved by the Criminal Records Division of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Therefore, fingerprint cards no longer need to be submitted.

(3) An applicant must demonstrate qualification for a particular class of peace officer license by one (1) of the following methods:

(B) Graduation from a federal, military, or out-of-state basic training course recognized by the Director pursuant to 11 CSR 75-13.070 as qualifying the trainee for particular class of license; *[or]*

(C) Qualification for a particular class of license on the Veteran Peace Officer Point Scale pursuant to 11 CSR 75-13.060[.]; **or**

(D) Qualification for a class D license pursuant to section 590.040.1(5), RSMo.

(5) An applicant shall submit a **peace officer license application** to the Director[.].

[(A) A peace officer license application; and

(B) Two (2) fingerprint cards for state and federal criminal history background checks, for which the Director may charge a cost-equivalent fee.]

(6) The applicant shall submit to being fingerprinted in a manner approved by the Missouri State Highway Patrol pursuant to section 43.543, RSMo, to determine if the applicant has a criminal history record on file with the Missouri criminal records repository or the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The fee associated with being fingerprinted in this manner shall be the responsibility of the applicant.

[(6)](7) The Director shall examine the qualifications of each applicant and determine whether the applicant has met all requirements for licensing, including the requirements of section 590.100, RSMo. The Director may investigate or request additional information from an applicant pursuant to section 590.110.1, RSMo.

*[(7)](8) The applicant shall achieve a qualifying score on the Missouri Peace Officer License Exam (MPOLE), except that an applicant for a class R **and a class D** license shall not take the MPOLE.*

[(8)](9) The Director shall grant the appropriate license or deny the applicant's request to be licensed. An applicant aggrieved by the decision of the Director may appeal pursuant to section 590.100.3, RSMo.

*AUTHORITY: sections [590.030.2 and 590.030.4] **590.020, 590.030, and 590.190**, RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed Oct. 31, 2002, effective April 30, 2003. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.*

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Division 75—Peace Officer Standards and Training
Program
Chapter 13—Peace Officer Licenses**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-13.030 Procedure to Upgrade Peace Officer License Classification. The department is amending subsection (1)(C), section (2), and the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment corrects a typographical error. This amendment further reflects the fact that the POST Commission increased the minimum number of basic training hours from four hundred seventy (470) to six hundred (600). Therefore, a Class B peace officer license can no longer be obtained from a basic training center.

(1) A peace officer may qualify to upgrade the officer's license from its current class to a new class in any of three (3) ways:

(C) Qualification for the new class on the Veteran Peace Officer Point Scale pursuant to *[11 CSR 75-14.060.]* **11 CSR 75-13.060.**

(2) Individuals with a Class R license who attend an upgrade basic training course to obtain a Class *[B]* A license shall be required to complete the training requirement within three (3) years of the date they obtained their Class R license.

*AUTHORITY: sections [590.030.4] **590.020, 590.030, and 590.190**, RSMo Supp. [2004] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed Jan. 15, 2004, effective July 30, 2004. Amended: Filed Nov. 1, 2004, effective April 30, 2005. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.*

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Division 75—Peace Officer Standards and Training
Program
Chapter 13—Peace Officer Licenses**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-13.040 Relicensing of Expired Peace Officer Licenses. The department is amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the Authority.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.030[.6,] and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Division 75—Peace Officer Standards and Training
Program
Chapter 13—Peace Officer Licenses**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-13.050 Missouri Peace Officer License Exam. The department is amending section (2), adding a new section (3), renumbering the remaining sections, and amending the renumbered sections (4) and (6) and the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment reflects a Class D license, which had to be developed pursuant to section 590.040.1(5), RSMo. This amendment further clarifies the amount of time an applicant can wait to take the MPOLE after making application for a peace officer license. This amendment further clarifies what occurs when an applicant who fails to take the MPOLE within thirty (30) days of notice of initial or a second failure.

(2) No person shall take the MPOLE unless the person is eligible to apply for, and has applied for, a peace officer license. An applicant for a class R and a class D license shall not take the MPOLE.

(3) A person must achieve a qualifying score on the MPOLE within one hundred twenty (120) days of application for a peace officer license.

[(3)](4) No person shall take the MPOLE after being disqualified by the Director pursuant to 11 CSR 75-13.020[(5)](7).

[(4)](5) The qualifying score on the MPOLE shall be seventy percent (70%) correct. The Director shall determine whether a person taking the MPOLE has achieved the qualifying score.

[(5)](6) A person who fails the MPOLE may retake the MPOLE as follows:

- (A) Within thirty (30) days after notification of initial failure;
- (B) Within thirty (30) days after notification of a second failure;
- (C) After a third failure, the person may either:

1. Wait one (1) year after notification of failure, and then take the MPOLE as if for the first time; or
2. Attend and graduate from a basic training course, and then take the MPOLE as if for the first time[.]; or

(D) A person who fails to retake the MPOLE within thirty (30) days after notification of initial or a second failure may either:

- 1. Wait one (1) year after notification of failure, and then take the MPOLE as if for the first time; or
- 2. Attend and graduate from a basic training course, and then take the MPOLE as if for the first time.

[(6)](7) The Director shall have plenary authority over the MPOLE. Any determination made by the Director pursuant to this rule shall be subject to review only pursuant to section 536.150, RSMo.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.030[.2] and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Division 75—Peace Officer Standards and Training
Program
Chapter 13—Peace Officer Licenses**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-13.060 Veteran Peace Officer Point Scale. The department is amending sections (3)–(6) and the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment reflects a Class D license, which had to be developed pursuant to section 590.040.1(5), RSMo. Persons with a Class D license will not be able to qualify on the scale. This amendment further clarifies that the credit awarded for years of service has to be for full-time commission with a law enforcement agency and that reserve officer basic training cannot be counted.

(3) The holder of a class R or a class D license, or a person graduating from a reserve basic training course, is not eligible to qualify on the scale.

(4) An applicant shall request to qualify on the veteran peace officer point scale on an application for a new peace officer license pursuant to 11 CSR 75-13.020/(4)(A)/(3)(C) or on an application for a peace officer license upgrade pursuant to 11 CSR 75-13.030(1)(C).

(5) The Director shall score each applicant according to the following point system.

(A) For basic peace officer training:

1. 120 to 179 hours, 1 point;
2. 180 to 299 hours, 3 points;
3. 300 to 469 hours, 5 points;
4. 470 to 599 hours, 8 points;
5. 600 hours or more, 14 points.

(B) For years of experience as an active, full-time commissioned peace officer:

1. At least one year, up to two years: 1 point;
2. Over two years, up to three years: 2 points;
3. Over three years, up to four years: 3 points;
4. Over four years, up to five years: 4 points;
5. Over five years, up to six years: 5 points;
6. Over six years, up to seven years: 6 points;
7. Over seven years, up to eight years: 7 points;
8. Over eight years, up to nine years: 8 points;
9. Over nine years, up to ten years: 9 points;
10. Over ten years, up to sixteen years: 10 points;
11. Over sixteen years: 12 points.

(6) The Director shall recognize the applicant's qualification on the following scale:

- [(A) Three through nine points, class R license;]
 [(B)/(A) Ten through fifteen total points, class B license;
 [(C)/(B) Sixteen or more total points, class A license.]

AUTHORITY: sections 590.030[.3,] and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2004] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed Jan. 15, 2004, effective July 30, 2004. Amended: Filed Nov. 1, 2004, effective April 30, 2005. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Division 75—Peace Officer Standards and Training
Program
Chapter 13—Peace Officer Licenses**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-13.070 Recognition of Federal, Military, and Out-of-State Basic Training. The department is amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the Authority.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.040[.1(5)] and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

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**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-13.080 Adjustment of Peace Officer License Classification. The department is amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the Authority.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.020[.2] and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-13.090 Cause to Discipline Peace Officer Licensee. The department is amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the Authority.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.080[.1(6)], 590.090, and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2003] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct.

30, 2002. Amended: Filed Sept. 5, 2003, effective March 30, 2004.
Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-13.100 Notification of Change in Commission Status.
The department is amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the Authority.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.070[.1] and [590.070.2] **590.190**, RSMo Supp. [2001] **2007**. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Division 75—Peace Officer Standards and Training
Program
Chapter 14—Basic Training Centers**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-14.010 Procedure to Obtain a Basic Training Center License. The department is amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the Authority.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.060[.2] and **590.190**, RSMo Supp. [2001] **2007**. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-14.020 Minimum Requirements for Basic Training Centers. The department is amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the Authority.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.060[.1] and **590.190**, RSMo Supp. [2001] **2007**. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

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**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
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Chapter 14—Basic Training Centers**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-14.030 Standard Basic Training Curricula and Objectives. The department is amending section (1) and the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the Authority and section (1).

(1) The Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Commission shall develop a mandatory basic training curriculum for each class of peace officer license. The minimum number of training hours for each class of peace officer license shall be as follows:

- [(E)] Class A-PC. One thousand (1,000) hours;
- [(F)](E) Class B. Four hundred eighty (480) hours;
- [(G)](F) Class C. One hundred twenty (120) hours;

[(H)](G) Class R. Two hundred ninety-seven (297) hours;
[(I)](H) Class S. Four hundred eighty (480) hours.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.030[.1], **590.040**, and **590.190**, RSMo Supp. [2004] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed April 25, 2003, effective Oct. 30, 2003. Amended: Filed Jan. 15, 2004, effective July 30, 2004. Amended: Filed Dec. 15, 2004, effective June 30, 2005. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-14.040 Certification of Basic Training Courses. The department is amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the Authority.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.060[.2] and **590.190**, RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-14.050 Minimum Standards for a Certified Basic Training Course. The department is amending paragraphs (2)(B)2. and (6)(A)2., subsection (2)(C), and the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment clarifies the fact that we require all applicants to be fingerprinted by way of the live-scan method as approved by the Criminal Records Division of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Therefore, fingerprint cards no longer need to be submitted. This amendment adds section 590.100, RSMo, to require the training director to remove a trainee from basic training that the Director of Public Safety determines is not eligible because of a violation of section 590.080.1, RSMo. This amendment allows those areas of basic training requiring a demonstrative skill be performed to be graded on a pass/fail basis.

(2) The procedure for delivering a basic training course shall be as follows:

(B) At least fifteen (15) days before the start of the course, the training center director shall:

1. Cause each trainee to complete a Missouri peace officer license legal questionnaire, which the training center director shall review.

2. Cause each trainee to submit [to the Director two (2) fingerprint cards and a bank draft or money order in an amount equivalent to the cost of conducting a state and a federal criminal history background check.] to being fingerprinted in a manner approved by the Missouri State Highway Patrol pursuant to section 43.543, RSMo, to determine if the applicant has a criminal history record on file with the Missouri criminal records repository or the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The fee associated with being fingerprinted in this manner shall be the responsibility of the applicant.

3. Report to the Director the existence of any known fact or circumstance that might constitute cause for the Director to disqualify any trainee from receiving a peace officer license, in which case the training center director shall obtain a waiver from the Director before admitting the trainee into the course.

(C) The training center director shall deny entry into the course or shall expel from the course any trainee that the Director determines to be unqualified pursuant to 11 CSR 75-14.060 or section 590.100, RSMo.

(6) Trainees shall be graded as follows:

(A) A trainee shall be tested for mastery of each subject area in the appropriate mandatory curriculum. A written or practical examination may test more than one (1) subject area simultaneously.

1. Mastery of firearms shall be tested by practical examination and scored on a numerical scale from zero (0) to one hundred (100). Supplemental written examinations are permitted, but the overall firearms score required for graduation pursuant to paragraph (7)(C)4. of this rule shall be based solely upon the practical examinations. The final grade of the firearms practical examination may, at the discretion of the training center director, be recorded as a pass or fail.

2. Mastery of defensive tactics, physical fitness, [and] driver training, and any other basic training subject areas requiring a trainee to perform a demonstrative skill as determined by the Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) Commission shall be tested by practical examination and may be graded on a numerical scale from zero (0) to one hundred (100) or on a pass/fail basis. Supplemental written examinations are permitted.

3. Mastery of all other subject areas shall be tested by written or practical examination and shall be graded on a numerical scale from zero (0) to one hundred (100). Pass/fail grading is not permitted.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.030[.1], [and] 590.040[.1], and **590.190**, RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed Nov. 15, 2002, effective April 30, 2003. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-14.060 Eligibility for Entrance into a Basic Training Course. This department is amending section (1) and the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment clarifies the time frame that an applicant has to become fingerprinted prior to beginning basic training.

(1) No person shall be admitted into a certified basic training course unless such person:

(C) Is the holder of a valid high school diploma or its equivalent pursuant to 11 CSR 75-2.010; *[and]*

(D) Has been fingerprinted pursuant to 11 CSR 75-13.020 within one hundred twenty (120) days of, and no later than fifteen (15) days before, the start of the basic training course; and

[(D)](E) Has submitted a Missouri Peace Officer License Legal Questionnaire to the basic training center director.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.060[.1] and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-14.070 Basic Training Instructor Licenses. The department is amending subsection (3)(A) and the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the Authority and subsection (3)(A).

(3) Cause to discipline an instructor license pursuant to section 590.060.2, RSMo, shall include, but not be limited to:

(A) Any cause to discipline a peace officer license pursuant to section 590.080, RSMo, or 11 CSR 75-13.110/13.090;

AUTHORITY: sections 590.060[.2] and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-14.080 Minimum Requirements for a Basic Training Instructor. The department is amending subsection (3)(D) and the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment clarifies the requirements for some specialist instructors. This amendment also removes the term *First Aid*, which is no longer needed.

(3) To qualify for a specialist license, an instructor shall possess the following qualifications:

(D) A valid, current third-party or secondary license shall be required to qualify as a specialist instructor for any objective related to the following:

1. Tactical Communications if utilizing Verbal Judo, graduate of a Verbal Judo Trainer Course.

2. Hazardous Materials, graduate of a POST recognized **eight (8)-hour** Hazardous Materials Training Course.

3. Accident Investigation, graduate of *[a Basic]* an Accident Investigation School or Accident Reconstruction School.

4. *[First Aid (First Responder)]*, graduate of a Certified First Responder Trainer Course, or a licensed Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic (EMTP), Registered Nurse (RN), Medical Doctor (MD), or Doctor of Osteopathy (DO).

5. The core curricula areas under Defensive Tactics, **with the exception of the subject area of Mechanics of Arrest and Control**, graduate of a POST recognized Law Enforcement Defensive Tactics Instructor Course.

6. The core curricula areas under Firearms, graduate of a POST recognized Firearms Instructor School of at least forty (40) hours.

7. The core curricula areas under Driver Training, graduate of a POST recognized Drivers Training Instructor Course.

8. Memoranda, Introduction to Report Writing, and Report Writing Exercises, if an individual does not have at least a four (4)-year college degree, they must be a graduate of a POST recognized Report Writing Instructor Course.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.060[.1] and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2002] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed Oct. 31, 2002, effective April 30, 2003. Amended: Filed April 25, 2003, effective Oct. 30, 2003. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

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**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-15.010 Continuing Education Requirement. The department is amending subsections (4)(E) and (6)(C), section (8), and the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment clarifies the fact that continuing education credit can also be awarded to basic training instructors.

(4) CLEE credit may be obtained from the following sources:

(E) For serving as an instructor for a CLEE or basic training class pursuant to 11 CSR 75-15.020(3)(B);

(6) During any single CLEE period, no peace officer shall receive:

(C) More than twenty-four (24) hours of CLEE credit for serving as a CLEE or basic training instructor.

(8) [Beginning January 1, 2003, every] Every peace officer with the authority to enforce motor vehicle or traffic laws shall obtain [at least one (1) credit hour of] CLEE training regarding racial profiling [each calendar year]. Racial profiling training may be obtained from:

AUTHORITY: sections 590.030.5(1), 590.050[.1], and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2003] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed Aug. 2, 2004, effective Jan. 30, 2005. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-15.020 Minimum Standards for Continuing Education Training. The department is amending subsections (3)(B), (4)(F) and (G), and (5)(A), (D), (G), and (H), adding subsections (4)(H) and (5)(I), and amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment clarifies the fact that continuing education credit can also be awarded to basic training instructors. This amendment clarifies the fact that the date and location the course was presented needs to be on the certificate issued. This amendment clarifies the fact that the course learning objectives must be identified within the lesson plan and the course attendance policy must be maintained as part of the continuing education file.

(3) CLEE credit shall be calculated at the following rates:

(B) Two (2) hours of CLEE credit for each hour of CLEE or basic training instruction delivered; and

(4) Upon successful completion of the requirements of any CLEE course, the provider of the training shall present each trainee a certificate bearing:

(F) The trainee's name; [and]

(G) The name of the individual responsible for general administration of the course[.]; and

(H) The date and location the course was presented.

(5) A CLEE provider shall retain, for a period of six (6) years after each CLEE training course, the following records:

(A) A copy of the training certificate or other record of the information required by subsections (4)(A) to (4)(F)/(H) of this rule;

(D) A list of all training objectives, which must be identified within the lesson plan;

(G) All instructor records; [and]

(H) The course evaluation plan[.]; and

(I) The course attendance policy.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.030.5(1), 590.050[.1], and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-15.030 Procedure to Obtain a Continuing Education Provider License. The department is amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the Authority.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.030.5(1), 590.050[.2], and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed Oct. 31, 2002, effective April 30, 2003. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-15.040 Procedure to Obtain Approval for an Individual CLEE Course. The department is amending section (2) and the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment clarifies that courses must be submitted thirty (30) days prior to their scheduled date of delivery.

(2) An applicant shall submit to the Director a completed individual CLEE course application. **This application must be submitted a minimum of thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled delivery date of the course.** The Director may investigate the applicant or request additional information from the applicant pursuant to section 590.110.1, RSMo.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.030.5(1), 590.050[.2], and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-15.050 Out-of-State, Federal, and Organizations Continuing Education. The department is amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the Authority.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.030.5(1), 590.050[.2], and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-15.060 In-Service Continuing Education Training. The department is amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the Authority.

AUTHORITY: sections 590.030.5(1), 590.050[.2], and 590.190, RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-15.070 Computer-Based Continuing Education Training. The department is amending section (5) and the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment allows the Director of Public Safety to approve the method used by the training provider to determine attendance for computer-based training courses.

(5) The course administrator shall attest to actual attendance and may ascertain attendance by any reasonably certain method, **as determined by the Director**, including tracking by the computer course software, if the tracking meets the standard of this rule. The attendance policy and methodology for ascertaining attendance shall be included in the course record file.

AUTHORITY: sections **590.030.5(1)**, **590.050[.2]**, and **590.190**, *RSMo Supp. [2001] 2007*. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with Jeremy Spratt, Missouri Department of Public Safety Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Program Manager, PO Box 749, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 11—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Division 75—Peace Officer Standards and Training
Program
Chapter 16—Peace Officer Standards and Training
Commission Fund**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

11 CSR 75-16.010 Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission Fund. The department is amending the Authority.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the Authority.

AUTHORITY: sections [590.120, *RSMo Supp. 2003 and*] **590.178**, *RSMo 2000 and section 590.190, RSMo Supp. 2007*. Original rule filed May 1, 2002, effective Oct. 30, 2002. Amended: Filed Jan. 15, 2004, effective July 30, 2004. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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**Title 12—DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
Division 10—Director of Revenue
Chapter 26—Dealer Licensure**

PROPOSED RULE

12 CSR 10-26.220 Dealer Disciplinary Hearings

PURPOSE: The department must provide an opportunity for a hearing on the issue of the discipline to be imposed against a license upon a finding by the Administrative Hearing Commission that grounds exist to discipline that license. This rule establishes the procedure for scheduling and conducting that hearing.

(1) As used in this rule the following terms mean—

(A) The term “dealer” as used in this rule shall include the classes of dealers set forth in section 301.550.3, *RSMo*.

(B) The term “department” as used in this rule shall mean the Missouri Department of Revenue.

(C) The term “director” as used in this rule means the Director of Revenue.

(2) Within thirty (30) days of the receipt of the certification of the Administrative Hearing Commission’s record, findings of fact, conclusions of law, and transcript finding that cause exists to discipline a dealer’s license, the director shall set the matter for hearing and notify the dealer of the time and place of the hearing.

(3) The notice will be given by U.S. mail, first class, postage prepaid to the dealer’s business address or the registered agent, if applicable, or to the dealer’s attorney, and to the dealer at the dealer’s address as shown on the dealer license application, together with the sanction, if any, recommended by the Motor Vehicle Bureau of the department.

(4) The hearing will be held in Jefferson City, Missouri. A hearing officer designated by the director shall conduct the hearing.

(5) The sole issue at the hearing shall be the appropriate disciplinary sanction to be imposed.

(6) The provisions of Chapter 536, *RSMo* shall apply to the hearing.

(7) Each party shall be allowed one (1) continuance; any further continuance shall only be for good cause shown. Requests for continuance shall be in writing signed by the party requesting the continuance or that party’s attorney. Requests for continuance must be filed not later than ten (10) days prior to the scheduled hearing date.

(8) Each party shall be allowed to submit one (1) brief to the hearing officer within thirty (30) days of the date of the hearing. No rebuttal or reply briefs are permitted.

(9) The hearing officer shall make findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations as to any sanctions to be imposed.

(10) Nothing contained herein shall prevent the dealer waiving his right to a hearing and accepting the sanction, if any, recommended by the Motor Vehicle Bureau of the department or otherwise mutually agreeing to a sanction with the department. Any waiver of the hearing and agreement as to the sanction must be in writing, signed

by both parties, and transmitted to the hearing officer prior to the date of the hearing for final approval.

(11) The director may accept, reject, or modify the hearing officer's recommendations, or impose any other sanction permitted by section 301.562, RSMo, including refusing to renew the dealer's license, as the director deems appropriate in the circumstances.

(12) The decision of the director shall become final on the date of mailing of that decision to the parties.

AUTHORITY: section 301.553.4, RSMo 2000. Original rule filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed rule will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed rule will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed rule with the Missouri Department of Revenue, Legal Services Division, Governmental Affairs Bureau, PO Box 475, Jefferson City, MO 65105-0475. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice on the Missouri Register. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 13—DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
Division 70—MO HealthNet Division
Chapter 10—Nursing Home Program**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

13 CSR 70-10.015 Prospective Reimbursement Plan for Nursing Facility Services. The division is amending sections (1), (2), (4), (10), (12), (13), (14), (20), and (21).

PURPOSE: This amendment provides for the following changes: section (1) was changed to update the division's name; section (2) was changed to clearly state the division's policy regarding how the division will implement its decisions during the appeal process; section (4) was changed to update the definition of division; section (10) was changed to eliminate the cost report filing requirements for out-of-state nursing facilities and add "incorporated by reference" language to the cost report and instructions; section (12) was changed to correct the cross reference for the interim rate; section (13) was changed to move subsection (13)(A) Global Per Diem Adjustments to 13 CSR 70-10.016; section (14) was changed to set forth the reimbursement rate for out-of-state nursing facilities and the effective date of rate changes from their state's Medicaid agency; subsections (20)(B) and (20)(E) were changed to fix the cross reference to subsection (13)(A) because it was moved to a different regulation; subsections (21)(J) and (21)(L) were changed to fix the cross reference to subsection (13)(A) because it was moved to a different regulation; and subsection (21)(N) was added.

(1) Authority. This regulation is established pursuant to the authorization granted to the Department of Social Services (department), [Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division (division), to promulgate rules and regulations.

(2) Purpose. This regulation establishes a methodology for determination of reimbursement rates for nursing facilities. Subject to limitations prescribed elsewhere in this regulation, a facility's reimbursement rate shall be determined by the division as described in

this regulation. Any reimbursement rate determined[,] by the division[, that has been appealed in a timely manner shall not be final until there is a final decision.] shall be a final decision and will be implemented as set forth in the division's decision letter. The decisions of the division may be subject to review upon properly filing a complaint with the Administrative Hearing Commission (AHC). A nursing facility seeking review by the AHC must obtain a stay from the AHC to stop the division from implementing its final decision if the AHC determines the facility meets the criteria for a stay and so orders. If the facility appeals the division's decision, it is the responsibility of the nursing facility to notify any interested parties, including but not limited to hospice providers, that the rate being received is not a final rate and is subject to change. Federal financial participation is available on expenditures for services provided within the scope of the federal Medicaid Program and made under a court order in accordance with 42 CFR 431.250.

(4) Definitions.

(X) Division. Unless otherwise specified, division refers to the [Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division, the division of the Department of Social Services charged with administration of Missouri's [Medical Assistance (Medicaid)] MO HealthNet Program.

(10) Provider Reporting and Record Keeping Requirements.

(A) Annual Cost Report. The cost report (version MSIR-1 (3-95)) and cost report instructions (revised 3/95) are incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule as published by the Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division, 615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, MO 65109, August 1, 2008. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

1. Each provider shall adopt the same twelve (12)-month fiscal period for completing its cost report as is used for federal income tax reporting.

2. Each provider is required to complete and submit to the division an annual cost report, including all worksheets, attachments, schedules, and requests for additional information from the division. The cost report shall be submitted on forms provided by the division for that purpose. Any substitute or computer generated cost report must have prior approval by the division.

3. All cost reports shall be completed in accordance with the requirements of this regulation and the cost report instructions. Financial reporting shall adhere to GAAP, except as otherwise specifically indicated in this regulation.

4. The cost report submitted must be based on the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental institutions operating on a cash or modified cash basis of accounting may continue to report on that basis, provided appropriate treatment for capital expenditures is made under GAAP.

5. Cost reports shall be submitted by the first day of the sixth month following the close of the fiscal period.

6. If a cost report is more than ten (10) days past due, payment shall be withheld from the facility until the cost report is submitted. Upon receipt of a cost report prepared in accordance with this regulation, the payments that were withheld will be released to the provider. For cost reports which are more than ninety (90) days past due, the department may terminate the provider's [Medicaid] MO HealthNet participation agreement and if terminated retain all payments which have been withheld pursuant to this provision.

7. Copies of signed agreements and other significant documents related to the provider's operation and provision of care to [Medicaid recipients] MO HealthNet participants must be attached (unless otherwise noted) to the cost report at the time of filing unless current and accurate copies have already been filed with the division. Material which must be submitted or available upon request includes, but is not limited to, the following:

A. Audit prepared by an independent accountant, including disclosure statements and management letter or SEC Form 10-K;

B. Contracts or agreements involving the purchase of facilities or equipment during the last seven (7) years if requested by the division, the department, or its agents;

C. Contracts or agreements with owners or related parties;

D. Contracts with consultants;

E. Documentation of expenditures, by line item, made under all restricted and unrestricted grants;

F. Federal and state income tax returns for the fiscal year, if requested by the division, the department, or its agents;

G. Leases and/or rental agreements related to the activities of the provider if requested by the division, the department, or its agents;

H. Management contracts;

I. Medicare cost report, if applicable;

J. Review and compilation statement;

K. Statement verifying the restrictions as specified by the donor, prior to donation, for all restricted grants;

L. Working trial balance actually used to prepare the cost report with line number tracing notations or similar identifications; and

M. Schedule of capital assets with corresponding debt.

8. Cost reports must be fully, clearly, and accurately completed. All required attachments must be submitted before a cost report is considered complete. If any additional information, documentation, or clarification requested by the division or its authorized agent is not provided within fourteen (14) days of the date of receipt of the division's request, payments may be withheld from the facility until the information is submitted.

9. Under no circumstances will the division accept amended cost reports for rate determination or rate adjustment after the date of the division's notification of the final determination of the rate.

10. Exceptions. A cost report may not be required for the following if a provider requests a waiver in writing. Upon review of the provider's request, the division shall provide a written response, indicating its decision as to whether a waiver shall be granted.

[A. Out-of-state providers which provide less than one thousand (1,000) patient days of nursing facility services for Missouri Title XIX recipients, relative to their fiscal year.]

[B./A. Hospital based providers which provide less than one thousand (1,000) patient days of nursing facility services for Missouri Title XIX recipients, relative to their fiscal year.]

[C./B. Change in provider status:

(I) Providers which provide less than one thousand (1,000) patient days of nursing facility services for Missouri Title XIX recipients, relative to their fiscal year, and have less than a twelve (12)-month cost report due to a termination, change of ownership, or being newly [Medicaid] MO HealthNet certified.

(II) Beginning in SFY-04, the division may waive the cost report filing requirement for the cost report resulting from a change of control, ownership, or termination of participation in the [Medicaid] MO HealthNet program if the old/terminating provider can show financial hardship in providing the cost report. The old/terminating provider must submit a written request to the division, indicating and providing documentation for the financial hardship caused by filing the cost report.

(III) Beginning in SFY-07, the division may waive the cost report filing requirement for the cost report resulting from a change of control or ownership of participation in the [Medicaid] MO HealthNet program if the old and new providers can provide assurances satisfactory to the division that the new providers will submit a cost report in the calendar year in which the change occurred and that the cost report will cover at least a three (3)-month period. A written request jointly submitted by the old and new providers, indicating the new provider's fiscal year end and the dates that the cost report will cover, may provide adequate assurances.

11. Cost report requirements and withholding of funds for a change in provider status. A provider shall provide written notification

to the assistant deputy director of the Institutional Reimbursement Unit of the division prior to a change of control, ownership, or termination of participation in the *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* program. If a provider does not qualify for an exception for filing a cost report as detailed above in subparagraph (10)(A)10.C., the division may withhold payments due to the provider pending receipt of the required cost report. The cost report must be prepared in accordance with this regulation with all required attachments and documentation and is due the first day of the sixth month after the date of change of control, ownership, or termination. Upon receipt of the fully completed cost report, any payments withheld will be released, less any amounts owed to the division such as unpaid NFRA, overpayments, etc.

A. If the division receives notification prior to the change of control, ownership, or termination of participation in the *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* program, the division will withhold a minimum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) of the remaining payments from the old/terminating provider until the cost report is filed. Upon receipt of the cost report prepared in accordance with this regulation, any payments withheld will be released to the old/terminating provider, less any amounts owed to the division such as unpaid NFRA, overpayments, etc.

B. If the division does not receive notification prior to a change of control or ownership, the division will withhold thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) of the next available *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* payment from the provider identified in the current *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* participation agreement until the required cost report is filed. If the *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* payment is less than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), the entire payment will be withheld. Upon receipt of the cost report prepared in accordance with this regulation, any payments withheld will be released to the provider identified in the current *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* participation agreement, less any amounts owed to the division such as unpaid NFRA, overpayments, etc.

C. The division may, at its discretion, delay the withholding of funds specified in subparagraphs (10)(A)11.A. and B. until the cost report is due based on assurances satisfactory to the division that the cost report will be timely filed. A request jointly submitted by the old and new provider may provide adequate assurances. The new provider must accept responsibility for ensuring timely filing of the cost report and authorize the division to immediately withhold thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) if the cost report is not timely filed.

(12) Reimbursement Rate Determination. A facility's reimbursement rate shall be determined by the division as described in this regulation. Any facility with an interim rate on December 31, 1994, shall be granted an interim rate effective for services on and after January 1, 1995, as prescribed in subsection (4)(EE)(HH), if applicable. A prospective rate determined from this regulation shall be retroactively effective for services beginning on the first day of the facility's second twelve (12)-month fiscal year but not earlier than January 1, 1995, and shall replace the interim on and after January 1, 1995.

(F) A facility entering the *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* program after December 31, 1994, shall receive an interim rate as defined in subsection (4)(EE)(HH) to be effective on the initial date of *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* certification. A prospective rate shall be determined in accordance with this regulation from the desk audited and/or field audited facility fiscal year cost report which covers the second full twelve (12)-month fiscal year following the facility's initial date of *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* certification. The HCFA Market Basket Index for 1993, 1994, and nine (9) months of 1995 will not be applied. This prospective rate shall be retroactively effective and shall replace the interim rate for services beginning on the first day of the facility's second full twelve (12)-month fiscal year.

(13) Adjustments to the Reimbursement Rates. Subject to the limitations prescribed elsewhere in this regulation, a facility's reimbursement rate may be adjusted as described in this section and **13 CSR 70-10.016**.

(A) Global Per Diem Rate Adjustments. A facility with either an interim rate or a prospective rate may qualify for the global per diem rate adjustments as set forth in 13 CSR 70-10.016. Global per diem rate adjustments shall be added to the specified cost component ceiling.

1. FY-96 negotiated trend factor—

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on October 1, 1995, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective October 1, 1995, of 4.6% of the cost determined in paragraphs (11)(A)1., (11)(B)1., (11)(C)1. and the property insurance and property taxes detailed in paragraph (11)(D)3. of this regulation; or

B. Facilities that were granted a prospective rate based on paragraph (12)(A)2. that is in effect on October 1, 1995, shall have their increase determined by subsection (3)(S) of this regulation.

2. FY-97 negotiated trend factor—

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on October 1, 1996, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective October 1, 1996, of 3.7% of the cost determined in paragraphs (11)(A)1., (11)(B)1., (11)(C)1. and the property insurance and property taxes detailed in paragraph (11)(D)3. of this regulation; or

B. Facilities that were granted a prospective rate based on paragraph (12)(A)2. that is in effect on October 1, 1995, shall have their increase determined by subsection (3)(S) of this regulation.

3. NFRA. Effective October 1, 1996, all facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate shall have its per diem adjusted to include the current NFRA as an allowable cost in its reimbursement rate calculation.

4. Minimum wage adjustment. All facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate in effect on November 1, 1996, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective November 1, 1996, of two dollars and forty-five cents (\$2.45) to allow for the change in minimum wage. Utilizing Fiscal Year 1995 cost report data, the total industry hours reported for each payroll category was multiplied by the fifty-cent (50¢) increase, divided by the patient days for the facilities reporting hours for that payroll category and factored up by 8.67% to account for the related increase to payroll taxes. This calculation excludes the director of nursing, the administrator and assistant administrator.

5. Minimum wage adjustment. All facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate in effect on September 1, 1997, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective September 1, 1997, of one dollar and ninety-eight cents (\$1.98) to allow for the change in minimum wage. Utilizing Fiscal Year 1995 cost report data, the total industry hours reported for each payroll category was multiplied by the forty-cent (40¢) increase, divided by the patient days for the facilities reporting hours for that payroll category and factored up by 8.67% to account for the related increase to payroll taxes. This calculation excludes the director of nursing, the administrator and assistant administrator.

6. FY-98 negotiated trend factor—

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on October 1, 1997, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective October 1, 1997, of 3.4% of the cost determined in paragraphs (11)(A)1., (11)(B)1., (11)(C)1. and the property insurance and property taxes detailed in paragraph (11)(D)3. of this regulation; or

B. Facilities that were granted a prospective rate based on paragraph (12)(A)2. that is in effect on October 1, 1995, shall have their increase determined by subsection (3)(S) of this regulation.

7. FY-99 negotiated trend factor—

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on October 1, 1998, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective October 1, 1998, of 2.1% of the cost determined in paragraphs (11)(A)1., (11)(B)1., (11)(C)1., the property insurance and property taxes detailed in paragraph (11)(D)3. of this regulation and the minimum wage adjustments detailed in paragraphs (13)(A)4. and (13)(A)5.; or

B. Facilities that were granted a prospective rate based on paragraph (12)(A)2. that is in effect on October 1, 1998, shall have their increase determined by subsection (3)(S) of this regulation.

8. FY-2000 negotiated trend factor—

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on July 1, 1999, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective July 1, 1999, of 1.94% of the cost determined in subsections (11)(A), (11)(B), (11)(C), the property insurance and property taxes detailed in paragraph (11)(D)3. and the minimum wage adjustments detailed in paragraphs (13)(A)4. and (13)(A)5. of this regulation; or

B. Facilities that were granted a prospective rate based on paragraph (12)(A)2. that is in effect on July 1, 1999, shall have their increase determined by subsection (3)(S) of this regulation.

9. FY-2004 nursing facility operations adjustment—

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on July 1, 2003, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004 of four dollars and thirty-two cents (\$4.32) for the cost of nursing facility operations. Effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2004, the per diem adjustment shall be reduced to three dollars and seventy-eight cents (\$3.78).

B. The operations adjustment shall be added to the facility's current rate as of June 30, 2003 and is effective for payment dates after August 1, 2003.

10. FY-2007 quality improvement adjustment—

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on July 1, 2006, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2006 of three dollars and seventeen cents (\$3.17) to improve the quality of life for nursing facility residents.

B. The quality improvement adjustment shall be added to the facility's current rate as of June 30, 2006 and is effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2006 and after.

11. FY-2007 trend adjustment.

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate in effect on February 1, 2007, shall be granted an increase to their per diem rate effective for dates of service beginning February 1, 2007 of three dollars and zero cents (\$3.00) to allow for a trend adjustment to ensure quality nursing facility services.

B. The trend adjustment shall be added to the facility's reimbursement rate as of January 31, 2007 and is effective for dates of service beginning February 1, 2007 for payment dates after March 1, 2007.

12. FY-2008 trend adjustment.

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate in effect on July 1, 2007, shall be granted an increase to their per diem rate effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2007 of six dollars and zero cents (\$6.00) to allow for a trend adjustment to ensure quality nursing facility services.

B. The trend adjustment shall be added to the facility's current rate as of June 30, 2007 and is effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2007.]

(14) Exceptions.

(B) The Title XIX reimbursement rate for out-of-state providers shall be set *[by one (1) of the following methods]* as follows:

1. For **out-of-state** providers which provided services *[of less than one thousand (1,000) patient days]* for Missouri Title XIX recipients, the reimbursement rate shall be the rate paid for comparable services and level of care by the state in which the provider is located. **The reimbursement rate will remain in effect until—**

A. *[The reimbursement rate will remain in effect until:*

*(II) Rate Increases—*The division receives written notification of *[a change] an increase* in the provider's rate as issued by the state *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* agency in which the provider is located. The provider must also include a copy of the rate letter issued by their state detailing the rate and effective date. If the provider notifies the division within thirty (30) days of receipt of notification from their state of the per diem rate *[change] increase*, the effective date of the rate *[change] increase* for purposes of reimbursement from Missouri shall be the same date as indicated in the issuing state's rate letter. If the division does not receive written notification from the provider within thirty (30) days of the date the provider received notification from their state of the rate *[change] increase*, the effective date of the rate *[change] increase* for purposes of reimbursement from Missouri shall be the first day of the month following the date the division receives notification; or

(III) The provider exceeds one thousand (1,000) patient days for Missouri Title XIX recipients. The provider must notify, in writing, the director of the Institutional Reimbursement Unit of the division if they have exceeded one thousand (1,000) patient days for Missouri Title XIX recipients within thirty (30) days of their fiscal year end. The provider will be required to submit a Missouri Title XIX cost report to the division by the first day of the sixth month following their fiscal year end. This cost report shall serve as the provider's rate setting cost report and the provider shall have their per diem rate set as detailed below in paragraph (14)(B)2.

2. For providers which provided services of one thousand (1,000) or more patient days for Missouri Title XIX recipients, the reimbursement rate shall be the lower of:

A. The rate paid for comparable services and level of care by the state in which the provider is located; or

B. The rate as calculated based on the provider's rate setting cost report as determined from this regulation.]

B. Rate Decreases—The division receives written notification of a decrease in the provider's rate as issued by the state Medicaid agency in which the provider is located including a copy of the rate letter issued by their state detailing the rate and effective date. The effective date of the rate decrease for purposes of reimbursement from Missouri shall be the same date as indicated in the issuing state's rate letter.

(20) Rebasing of Nursing Facility Rates.

(B) The rebased rates shall be phased in, as set forth below:

1. A preliminary rebased rate shall be calculated using the same principles and methodology as detailed throughout sections (1)–(19) of this regulation and the updated items detailed above in paragraphs (20)(A)1.–9.

2. The total increase resulting from the rebase each year shall be calculated as follows:

A. Each facility's current rate as of June 30 of each year shall be compared to the preliminary rebased rate effective July 1 of the following SFY. For example, for SFY 2005, the facility's rate as of June 30, 2004 shall be compared to the preliminary rebased rate effective July 1, 2004; for SFY 2006, the facility's rate as of June 30, 2005 shall be compared to the preliminary rebased rate effective July 1, 2005; etc.

(I) The high volume adjustment, if applicable, and the NFRA shall not be included in the current rate or the preliminary rebased rate for comparison purposes in determining the total increase.

(II) The high volume adjustment, if applicable, and the current NFRA shall be added to the rate determined below in subparagraph (20)(B)2.B.

B. If the preliminary rebased rate is greater than the current rate, the difference between the two (2) shall represent the total increase that will be phased in by granting one-third (1/3) of the total increase each year. For SFY 2005, one-third (1/3) of the total increase shall be added to the facility's current rate as of June 30, 2004, less the reduction in the nursing facility operations adjustment of fifty-four cents (54¢) effective July 1, 2004 as set forth in *[13(A)9.] 13 CSR 70-10.016*. The high volume adjustment, if applicable, and the current NFRA shall be added to that total and shall be the facility's prospective rate for SFY 2005.

C. If the preliminary rebased rate is less than the current rate, the facility shall continue to receive its current rate with any applicable adjustments for high volume and NFRA for the SFY.

(E) Prospective Rate Determination for Newly Medicaid Certified Nursing Facilities. As set forth in subsection (12)(F), a nursing facility never previously certified for participation in the Medicaid program shall receive an interim rate upon entering the Medicaid program and have its prospective rate set on its second full twelve (12)-month cost report following the facility's initial date of certification. The prospective rate shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the regulation in effect from the beginning of the facility's rate setting period through the date the prospective rate is determined, as detailed below. If industry-wide rate changes were implemented during this period the provision of the regulation relating to the effective date of the rate change shall be the governing regulation for those dates of service. For example, for a rate setting period of January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004, the facility's initial prospective rate effective January 1, 2004 shall be set in accordance with the regulations in effect at that time and rate changes that occurred after January 1, 2004 shall be calculated in accordance with the regulation applicable to each rate change throughout the period, as follows: the facility's initial prospective rate effective January 1, 2004 shall be set in accordance with the regulations in effect at that time (sections (1)–(19)); nursing facility rates were rebased effective July 1, 2004 per section (20); the rebase provisions were modified effective April 1, 2005 under subsection (20)(D); the per diem rate calculation effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2005 are detailed in section (21); a quality improvement adjustment of three dollars and seventeen cents (\$3.17) per day was granted effective July 1, 2006 in *[paragraph (13)(A)10.] 13 CSR 70-10.016*; etc.

1. A nursing facility that did not have a prospective rate established when rates were rebased on July 1, 2004, shall have its prospective rate for dates of service beginning on or after July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005 established on the rate setting cost report in accordance with section (20), consistent with the rest of the nursing facility industry.

2. As set forth in paragraphs (20)(B)1. and 2., a preliminary rate shall be calculated and compared to the facility's rate as of June 30, 2004, less the reduction in the nursing facility operations adjustment of fifty-four cents (54¢) effective July 1, 2004 as set forth in *[paragraph (13)(A)9.] 13 CSR 70-10.016*, to determine the total increase. The NFRA shall not be included in the preliminary rate or the June 30, 2004 rate for comparison purposes in determining the total increase.

A. If the facility will have a prospective rate established on June 30, 2004 once the prospective rate setting process is complete, the prospective rate shall be the rate for comparison purposes in determining the total increase.

B. If the facility will not have a prospective rate established on June 30, 2004 once the prospective rate setting process is complete, the division will calculate a June 30, 2004 computed rate which will be used as the rate for comparison purposes in determining the total increase as follows:

(I) The rate setting cost report as determined in subsection (12)(F) shall be used.

(II) The allowable costs from the rate setting cost report will be negatively trended back to June 30, 2004 using the indices from the most recent publication of the Health-Care Cost Review available to the division using the "CMS Nursing Home without Capital Market Basket" table. The allowable costs shall be negatively trended using the second quarter indices for each year, beginning with the index for the year relative to the end of the rate setting period back to and including the index for 2005. For example, a rate setting cost report for the period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007, shall have a 2007 rate setting year. The allowable costs shall be negatively trended by the 2007 second quarter index, the 2006 second quarter index, and the 2005 second quarter index. The resulting allowable costs shall be used to determine the June 30, 2004 computed rate.

(III) The computed rate shall be calculated in accordance with sections (1)–(19) of this regulation, prior to the rebase, using the regulations applicable to calculating a June 30, 2004 rate including the cost component ceilings, interest, rate of return, etc. in effect on June 30, 2004.

3. If the preliminary rate is greater than the June 30, 2004 rate, the facility shall receive one-third (1/3) of the total increase of the preliminary rate over the June 30, 2004 rate, less the reduction in the nursing facility operations adjustment of fifty-four cents (54¢) effective July 1, 2004 as set forth in [paragraph (13)(A)9.] 13 CSR 70-10.016. The one-third (1/3) increase shall be added to the June 30, 2004 rate, less the reduction in the nursing facility operations adjustment of fifty-four cents (54¢) effective July 1, 2004 as set forth in [paragraph (13)(A)9.] 13 CSR 70-10.016. The NFRA in effect shall be added to that total to determine the prospective rate.

4. If the preliminary rate is less than the June 30, 2004 rate, the facility's June 30, 2004 rate plus the NFRA in effect shall become the prospective rate.

(21) Per Diem Rate Calculation Effective for Dates of Service Beginning July 1, 2005. Effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2005, the rebase provisions set forth in section (20) shall not apply. Effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2005, the per diem rates shall be calculated using the same principles and methodology as detailed throughout sections (1)–(19) of this regulation, except that the data indicated in this section (21) shall be used.

(J) The rates effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2005 shall be determined, as set forth below:

1. A preliminary rate for July 1, 2005 shall be calculated using the same principles and methodology as detailed throughout sections (1)–(19) of this regulation and the updated items detailed above in subsections (21)(A)–(I).

2. The total increase resulting from the July 1, 2005 preliminary rate calculation shall be calculated as follows:

A. Each facility's rate as of June 30, 2004, less the reduction in the nursing facility operations adjustment of fifty-four cents (54¢) effective July 1, 2004 as set forth in [paragraph (13)(A)9.] 13 CSR 70-10.016, shall be compared to the July 1, 2005 preliminary rate calculation.

(I) The high volume adjustment, if applicable, and the NFRA shall not be included in the June 30, 2004 rate or the July 1, 2005 preliminary rate for comparison purposes in determining the total increase.

(II) The high volume adjustment, if applicable, and the current NFRA shall be added to the rate determined below in subparagraphs (21)(J)2.B. and (21)(J)2.C.

B. If the July 1, 2005 preliminary rate is greater than the June 30, 2004 rate including the reduction in the nursing facility operations adjustment of fifty-four cents (54¢) effective July 1, 2004 as set forth in [paragraph (13)(A)9.] 13 CSR 70-10.016, the difference between the two (2) shall represent the total increase. Effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2005, one-third (1/3) of the total increase shall be added to the facility's rate as of June 30, 2004 including the reduction in the nursing facility operations adjustment of fifty-four cents (54¢) effective July 1, 2004 as set forth in [paragraph (13)(A)9.] 13 CSR 70-10.016. The high volume adjustment, if applicable, and the current NFRA shall be added to that total and shall be the facility's prospective rate for dates of service beginning July 1, 2005.

C. If the July 1, 2005 preliminary rate is less than the June 30, 2004 rate including the reduction in the nursing facility operations adjustment of fifty-four cents (54¢) effective July 1, 2004 as set forth in [paragraph (13)(A)9.] 13 CSR 70-10.016, the facility's prospective rate shall be the facility's rate as of June 30, 2004 including the reduction in the nursing facility operations adjustment of fifty-four cents (54¢) effective July 1, 2004 as set forth in [paragraph (13)(A)9.] 13 CSR 70-10.016 plus the high volume adjustment, if applicable, and the current NFRA.

(N) Nursing facilities who qualify to have their prospective rate set in accordance with the provisions of subsection (20)(E) shall continue to receive the rate determined from subsection (20)(E) for dates of service beginning July 1, 2005.

AUTHORITY: section[s] 208.159, RSMo 2000 and sections 208.153 and 208.201, RSMo Supp. 2007 [and CCS for SCS for HCS for HB1011, 93rd General Assembly]. Emergency rule filed Dec. 21, 1994, effective Jan. 1, 1995, expired April 30, 1995. Emergency rule filed April 21, 1995, effective May 1, 1995, expired Aug. 28, 1995. Original rule filed Dec. 15, 1994, effective July 30, 1995. For intervening history see the Code of State Regulations. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate for SFY 2009.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division, 615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, MO 65109. To be considered, comments must be delivered by regular mail, express or overnight mail, in person, or by courier within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. If to be hand-delivered, comments must be brought to the MO HealthNet Division at 615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, Missouri. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 13—DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
Division 70—MO HealthNet Division
Chapter 10—Nursing Home Program**

PROPOSED RULE

13 CSR 70-10.016 Global Per Diem Adjustments to Nursing Facility and HIV Nursing Facility Reimbursement Rates

PURPOSE: This rule sets forth the global per diem adjustments to be applied to nursing facility reimbursement rates, established in 13 CSR 70-10.015, and HIV nursing facility reimbursement rates, established

in 13 CSR 70-10.080. The global per diem adjustments were previously included in 13 CSR 70-10.015 and 13 CSR 70-10.080.

(1) Authority. This regulation is established pursuant to the authorization granted to the Department of Social Services (department), MO HealthNet Division (division), to promulgate rules and regulations.

(2) Purpose. This regulation sets forth the global per diem adjustments to be applied to nursing facility reimbursement rates, established in 13 CSR 70-10.015, and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) nursing facility reimbursement rates, established in 13 CSR 70-10.080. All principles and definitions set forth in 13 CSR 70-10.015 are applicable to nursing facilities, and all principles and definitions set forth in 13 CSR 70-10.080 are applicable to HIV nursing facilities. The terms "facility" or "facilities" as used in this regulation shall apply to both nursing facilities and HIV nursing facilities.

(3) Adjustments to the Reimbursement Rates. Subject to the limitations prescribed in 13 CSR 70-10.015, a nursing facility's reimbursement rate may be adjusted as described in this section. Subject to the limitations prescribed in 13 CSR 70-10.080, an HIV nursing facility's reimbursement rate may be adjusted as described in this section.

(A) Global Per Diem Rate Adjustments. A facility with either an interim rate or a prospective rate may qualify for the global per diem rate adjustments. Global per diem rate adjustments shall be added to the specified cost component ceiling.

1. FY-96 negotiated trend factor—

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on October 1, 1995, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective October 1, 1995, of four and six-tenths percent (4.6%) of the cost determined in paragraphs (11)(A)1., (11)(B)1., (11)(C)1., and the property insurance and property taxes detailed in paragraph (11)(D) of 13 CSR 70-10.015; or

B. Facilities that were granted a prospective rate based on paragraph (12)(A)2. of 13 CSR 70-10.015 that is in effect on October 1, 1995, shall have their increase determined by subsection (3)(S) of 13 CSR 70-10.015.

2. FY-97 negotiated trend factor—

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on October 1, 1996, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective October 1, 1996, of three and seven-tenths percent (3.7%) of the cost determined in paragraphs (11)(A)1., (11)(B)1., (11)(C)1., and the property insurance and property taxes detailed in paragraph (11)(D) of 13 CSR 70-10.015; or

B. Facilities that were granted a prospective rate based on paragraph (12)(A)2. of 13 CSR 70-10.015 that is in effect on October 1, 1995, shall have their increase determined by subsection (3)(S) of 13 CSR 70-10.015.

3. Nursing Facility Reimbursement Allowance (NFRA). Effective October 1, 1996, all facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate shall have its per diem adjusted to include the current NFRA as an allowable cost in its reimbursement rate calculation.

4. Minimum wage adjustment. All facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate in effect on November 1, 1996, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective November 1, 1996, of two dollars and forty-five cents (\$2.45) to allow for the change in minimum wage. Utilizing Fiscal Year 1995 cost report data, the total industry hours reported for each payroll category was multiplied by the fifty-cent (50¢) increase, divided by the patient days for the facilities reporting hours for that payroll category and factored up by eight and sixty-seven hundredths percent (8.67%) to account for the related increase to payroll taxes. This calculation excludes the director of nursing, the administrator, and assistant administrator.

5. Minimum wage adjustment. All facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate in effect on September 1, 1997,

shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective September 1, 1997, of one dollar and ninety-eight cents (\$1.98) to allow for the change in minimum wage. Utilizing Fiscal Year 1995 cost report data, the total industry hours reported for each payroll category was multiplied by the forty-cent (40¢) increase, divided by the patient days for the facilities reporting hours for that payroll category and factored up by eight and sixty-seven hundredths percent (8.67%) to account for the related increase to payroll taxes. This calculation excludes the director of nursing, the administrator, and assistant administrator.

6. FY-98 negotiated trend factor—

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on October 1, 1997, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective October 1, 1997, of three and four-tenths percent (3.4%) of the cost determined in paragraphs (11)(A)1., (11)(B)1., (11)(C)1., and the property insurance and property taxes detailed in paragraph (11)(D) of 13 CSR 70-10.015 for nursing facilities and 13 CSR 70-10.080 for HIV nursing facilities; or

B. Facilities that were granted a prospective rate based on paragraph (12)(A)2. of 13 CSR 70-10.015 that is in effect on October 1, 1995, shall have their increase determined by subsection (3)(S) of 13 CSR 70-10.015.

7. FY-99 negotiated trend factor—

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on October 1, 1998, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective October 1, 1998, of two and one-tenth percent (2.1%) of the cost determined in paragraphs (11)(A)1., (11)(B)1., (11)(C)1., the property insurance and property taxes detailed in paragraph (11)(D) of 13 CSR 70-10.015 for nursing facilities and 13 CSR 70-10.080 for HIV nursing facilities and the minimum wage adjustments detailed in paragraphs (3)(A)4. and (3)(A)5. of this regulation; or

B. Facilities that were granted a prospective rate based on paragraph (12)(A)2. of 13 CSR 70-10.015 that is in effect on October 1, 1998, shall have their increase determined by subsection (3)(S) of 13 CSR 70-10.015.

8. FY-2000 negotiated trend factor—

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on July 1, 1999, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective July 1, 1999, of one and ninety-four hundredths percent (1.94%) of the cost determined in subsections (11)(A), (11)(B), (11)(C), the property insurance and property taxes detailed in paragraph (11)(D) of 13 CSR 70-10.015 for nursing facilities and 13 CSR 70-10.080 for HIV nursing facilities and the minimum wage adjustments detailed in paragraphs (3)(A)4. and (3)(A)5. of this regulation; or

B. Facilities that were granted a prospective rate based on paragraph (12)(A)2. of 13 CSR 70-10.015 that is in effect on July 1, 1999, shall have their increase determined by subsection (3)(S) of 13 CSR 70-10.015.

9. FY-2004 nursing facility operations adjustment—

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on July 1, 2003, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2003, through June 30, 2004, of four dollars and thirty-two cents (\$4.32) for the cost of nursing facility operations. Effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2004, the per diem adjustment shall be reduced to three dollars and seventy-eight cents (\$3.78).

B. The operations adjustment shall be added to the facility's current rate as of June 30, 2003, and is effective for payment dates after August 1, 2003.

10. FY-2007 quality improvement adjustment—

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on July 1, 2006, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2006, of three dollars and seventeen cents (\$3.17) to improve the quality of life for nursing facility residents.

B. The quality improvement adjustment shall be added to the facility's current rate as of June 30, 2006, and is effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2006, and after.

11. FY-2007 trend adjustment.

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate in effect on February 1, 2007, shall be granted an increase to their per diem rate effective for dates of service beginning February 1, 2007, of three dollars and zero cents (\$3.00) to allow for a trend adjustment to ensure quality nursing facility services.

B. The trend adjustment shall be added to the facility's reimbursement rate as of January 31, 2007, and is effective for dates of service beginning February 1, 2007, for payment dates after March 1, 2007.

12. FY-2008 trend adjustment.

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate in effect on July 1, 2007, shall be granted an increase to their per diem rate effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2007, of six dollars and zero cents (\$6.00) to allow for a trend adjustment to ensure quality nursing facility services.

B. The trend adjustment shall be added to the facility's current rate as of June 30, 2007, and is effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2007.

13. FY-2009 trend adjustment.

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate in effect on July 1, 2008, shall be granted an increase to their per diem rate effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2008, of six dollars and zero cents (\$6.00) to allow for a trend adjustment to ensure quality nursing facility services.

B. The trend adjustment shall be added to the facility's current rate as of June 30, 2008, and is effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2008.

AUTHORITY: section 208.159, RSMo 2000 and sections 208.153 and 208.201, RSMo Supp. 2007. Original rule filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed rule will cost public entities or political subdivisions approximately \$52,354,686 annually until amended.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed rule will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed rule with the Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division, 615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, MO 65109. To be considered, comments must be delivered by regular mail, express or overnight mail, in person, or by courier within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. If to be hand-delivered, comments must be brought to the MO HealthNet Division at 615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, Missouri. No public hearing is scheduled.

**FISCAL NOTE
PUBLIC COST**

- I. Department Title:** Title 13 - Department of Social Services
Division Title: Division 70 - MO HealthNet Division
Chapter Title: Chapter 10 - Nursing Home Program

Rule Number and Name:	13 CSR 70-10.016 Global Per Diem Adjustments to Nursing Facility and HIV Nursing Facility Reimbursement Rates
Type of Rulemaking:	Proposed Rule

II. SUMMARY OF FISCAL IMPACT

Affected Agency or Political Subdivision	Estimated Cost of Compliance in the Aggregate
Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division	\$52,354,686 *

III. WORKSHEET

SFY 2009:

Nusing Facility:

Estimated Paid Days Impacted: SFY 2009	8,725,781
x Rate Increase	\$6.00
Total Estimated Impact: SFY 2009	<u>\$52,354,686</u>
State Share	\$19,371,234
Federal Share (63.00%)	\$32,983,452

IV. ASSUMPTIONS

Estimated Paid Days:

Nursing Facility:

The estimated paid days for SFY 2009 are based on the actual Medicaid days paid for nursing facility services during SFY 2007, increased by 2.0% for 2008 and by an additional 0.5% for 2009.

* The \$52,354,686 is the estimated cost for SFY 2009. After SFY 2009 this amount will become part of the core budget and continue annually until amended.

**Title 13—DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
Division 70—MO HealthNet Division
Chapter 10—Nursing Home Program**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

13 CSR 70-10.030 Prospective Reimbursement Plan for Nonstate-Operated Facilities for ICF/MR Services. The division is amending sections (2)–(8), (10), (11), and (13).

PURPOSE: This amendment outlines how the Fiscal Year 2009 trend factor and catch up increase will be applied to adjust per diem rates for ICF/MRs participating in the MO HealthNet program. It also changes the name of the state's medical assistance program to MO HealthNet and revises the name of the program's administering agency to MO HealthNet Division to comply with state law. The amendment also changes reference to program recipients to participants.

(2) General Principles.

(A) The *[Missouri Medical Assistance P/MO HealthNet]* program shall reimburse qualified providers of ICF/MR services based solely on the individual *[Medicaid recipient's]* **MO HealthNet participant's** days of care (within benefit limitations) multiplied by the facility's Title XIX per diem rate less any payments made by *[recipients]* **participants**.

(B) Effective November 1, 1986, the Title XIX per diem rate for all ICF/MR facilities participating on or after October 31, 1986, shall be the lower of—

1. The average private pay charge;
2. The Medicare per diem rate, if applicable;
3. The rate paid to a facility on October 31, 1986, as adjusted by updating its base year to its 1985 fiscal year. Facilities which do not have a full twelve (12)-month 1985 fiscal year shall not have their base years updated to their 1985 fiscal years. Changes in ownership, management, control, operation, leasehold interests by whatever form for any facility previously certified for participation in the *[Medicaid P/MO HealthNet]* program at any time that results in increased capital costs for the successor owner, management, or leaseholder shall not be recognized for purposes of reimbursement; and

4. However, any provider who does not have a rate on October 31, 1986, and whose facility meets the definition in subsection *[(3)(K)] (3)(J)* of this rule, will be exempt from paragraph (2)(B)3. and the rate shall be determined in accordance with applicable provisions of this rule.

[(C)] In no case may the per diem reimbursement rate under the provisions of this rule exceed the level-of-care ceiling.]

[(D)](C) This plan has an effective date of November 1, 1986, at which time prospective per diem rates shall be calculated for the remainder of the state's FY-87 and future fiscal years. Per diem rates established by updating facilities' base years to FY-85 may be subject to retroactive and prospective adjustment based on audit of the facilities' new base year period.

[(E)](D) The Title XIX per diem rates as determined by this plan shall apply only to services furnished on or after November 1, 1986.

(3) Definitions.

(A) Allowable cost areas. Those cost areas which are allowable for allocation to the *[Medicaid P/MO HealthNet]* program based upon the principles established in this rule. The allowability of cost areas, not specifically addressed in this rule, will be based upon criteria of the *Medicare Provider Reimbursement Manual* (HIM-15) and section (7) of this rule.

(B) Average private pay charge. The average private pay charge is the usual and customary charge for non-*[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** patients determined by dividing total non-*[Medicaid]* **MO**

HealthNet days of care into total revenue collected for the same service that is included in the *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** per diem rate, excluding negotiated payment methodologies with the Veterans Administration and the Missouri Department of Mental Health.

[(I)] Level-of-care ceiling. One hundred thirty-five percent (135%) of the weighted mean rate for the nonstate-operated ICF/MR level-of-care group in effect on March 1, 1990; provided, that on July 1, 1990, and annually after that the per diem reimbursement rate as adjusted by the negotiated trend factor may be used as the basis for the level-of-care ceiling computed for the subsequent year.]

[(J)](I) Medicare rate. This is the allowable cost of care permitted by Medicare standards and principles of reimbursement.

[(K)](J) New construction. Newly built facilities or parts, for which an approved Certificate of Need (CON) or applicable waivers were obtained and which were newly completed and operational on or after November 1, 1986.

[(L)](K) New owners. Original owners of new construction.

[(M)](L) Providers. A provider under the Prospective Reimbursement Plan is a non-/state-operated ICF/MR facility with a valid participation agreement, in effect on or after October 31, 1986, with the Missouri Department of Social Services for the purpose of providing long-term care (LTC) services to Title XIX-eligible *[recipients]* **participants**. Facilities certified to provide intermediate care services to the mentally retarded under the Title XIX program may be offered a *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** participation agreement on or after January 1, 1990, only if 1) the facility has no more than fifteen (15) beds for mentally retarded residents, and 2) there is no other licensed residential living facility for mentally retarded individuals within a radius of one-half (1/2) mile of the facility seeking participation in the *[Medicaid P/MO HealthNet]* program.

[(N)](M) Reasonable and adequate reimbursement. Reimbursement levels which meet the needs of an efficiently and economically operated facility and which in no case exceed normal market costs.

[(O)](N) Related parties. Parties are related when—

1. An individual or group, regardless of the business structure of either, where, through their activities, one (1) individual's or group's transactions are for the benefit of the other and the benefits exceed those which are usual and customary in the dealings;

2. One (1) or more persons has an ownership or controlling interest in a party, and the person(s) or one (1) or more relatives of the person(s) has an ownership or controlling interest in the other party. For the purposes of this paragraph, ownership or controlling interest does not include a bank, savings bank, trust company, building and loan association, savings and loan association, credit union, industrial loan and thrift company, investment banking firm, or insurance company unless the entity, directly or through a subsidiary, operates a facility; or

3. As used in section (3), the following terms mean:

A. Indirect ownership/interest means an ownership interest in an entity that has an ownership interest in another entity. This term includes an ownership interest in any entity that has an indirect ownership interest in an entity;

B. Ownership interest means the possession of equity in the capital, in the stock, or in the profits of an entity;

C. Ownership or controlling interest is when a person or corporation(s)—

(I) Has an ownership interest totalling five percent (5%) or more in an entity;

(II) Has an indirect ownership interest equal to five percent (5%) or more in an entity. The amount of indirect ownership interest is determined by multiplying the percentages of ownership in each entity;

(III) Has a combination of direct and indirect ownership interest equal to five percent (5%) or more in an entity;

(IV) Owns an interest of five percent (5%) or more in any mortgage, deed of trust, note, or other obligation secured by an entity,

if that interest equals at least five percent (5%) of the value of the property or assets of the entity. The percentage of ownership resulting from the obligations is determined by multiplying the percentage of interest owned in the obligation by the percentage of the entity's assets used to secure the obligation;

(V) Is an officer or director of an entity; or

(VI) Is a partner in an entity that is organized as a partnership;

D. Relative means persons related by blood or marriage to the fourth degree of consanguinity; and

E. Entity means any person, corporation, partnership, or association.

[(P)](O) Rural. Those counties which are not defined as urban.

[(Q)](P) Urban. The urban counties are standard metropolitan statistical areas including Andrew, Boone, Buchanan, Cass, Christian, Clay, Franklin, Greene, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Newton, Platte, Ray, St. Charles, St. Louis, and St. Louis City.

(4) Prospective Reimbursement Rate Computation.

(A) Except in accordance with other provisions of this rule, the provisions of this section shall apply to all providers of ICF/MR services certified to participate in Missouri's *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** program.

1. ICF/MR facilities.

A. Except in accordance with other provisions of this rule, the *[Missouri Medical Assistance P]MO HealthNet* program shall reimburse providers of these LTC services based on the individual *[Medicaid-recipient]* **MO HealthNet-participant** days of care multiplied by the Title XIX prospective per diem rate less any payments collected from *[recipients]* **participants**. The Title XIX prospective per diem reimbursement rate for the remainder of */s/State* Fiscal Year 1987 shall be the facility's per diem reimbursement payment rate in effect on October 31, 1986, as adjusted by updating the facility's allowable base year to its 1985 fiscal year. Each facility's per diem costs as reported on its Fiscal Year 1985 Title XIX cost report will be determined in accordance with the principles set forth in this rule. If a facility has not filed a 1985 fiscal year cost report, the most current cost report on file with the department will be used to set its per diem rate. Facilities with less than a full twelve (12)-month 1985 fiscal year will not have their base year rates updated.

B. For */s/State* FY-88 and dates of service beginning July 1, 1987, the negotiated trend factor shall be equal to two percent (2%) to be applied in the following manner: Two percent (2%) of the average per diem rate paid to both state- and nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 1, 1987, shall be added to each facility's rate.

C. For */s/State* FY-89 and dates of service beginning January 1, 1989, the negotiated trend factor shall be equal to one percent (1%) to be applied in the following manner: One percent (1%) of the average per diem rate paid to both state- and nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 1, 1988 shall be added to each facility's rate.

D. For */s/State* FY-91 and dates of service beginning July 1, 1990, the negotiated trend factor shall be equal to one percent (1%) to be applied in the following manner: One percent (1%) of the average per diem rate paid to both state- and nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 1, 1990, shall be added to each facility's rate.

E. FY-96 negotiated trend factor. All nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase to their per diem rates effective for dates of service beginning January 1, 1996, of six dollars and seven cents (\$6.07) per patient day for the negotiated trend factor. This adjustment is equal to four and six-tenths percent (4.6%) of the weighted average per diem rates paid to non-*/s/State*-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 1, 1995, of one hundred thirty-one dollars and ninety-three cents (\$131.93).

F. State FY-99 trend factor. All non-*/s/State*-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase to their per diem rates effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 1998, of four dollars and forty-

seven cents (\$4.47) per patient day for the trend factor. This adjustment is equal to three percent (3%) of the weighted average per diem rate paid to nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 30, 1998, of one hundred forty-eight dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$148.99).

G. State FY-2000 trend factor. All nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase to their per diem rates effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 1999, of four dollars and sixty-three cents (\$4.63) per patient day for the trend factor. This adjustment is equal to three percent (3%) of the weighted average per diem rate paid to nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on April 30, 1999, of one hundred fifty-four dollars and forty-three cents (\$154.43). This increase shall only be used for increases for the salaries and fringe benefits for direct care staff and their immediate supervisors.

H. State FY-2001 trend factor. All nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase to their per diem rates effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2000, of four dollars and eighty-one cents (\$4.81) per patient day for the trend factor. This adjustment is equal to three percent (3%) of the weighted average per diem rate paid to nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on April 30, 2000, of one hundred sixty dollars and twenty-three cents (\$160.23). This increase shall only be used for increases for salaries and fringe benefits for direct care staff and their immediate supervisors.

I. State FY-2007 trend factor. All nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase of seven percent (7%) to their per diem rates effective for dates of service billed for */s/State* Fiscal Year 2007. This adjustment is equal to seven percent (7%) of the per diem rate paid to nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 30, 2006.

J. State FY-2008 trend factor. Effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2007, all nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase to their per diem rates of two percent (2%) for the trend factor. This adjustment is equal to two percent (2%) of the per diem rate paid to nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 30, 2007.

K. State FY-2009 trend factor. Effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2008, all nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase to their per diem rates of three percent (3%) for the trend factor. This adjustment is equal to three percent (3%) of the per diem rate paid to nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 30, 2008.

L. State FY-2009 catch up increase. Effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2008, all nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities shall be granted an increase to their per diem rates of thirteen and ninety-five hundredths percent (13.95%). This adjustment is equal to thirteen and ninety-five hundredths percent (13.95%) of the per diem rate paid to nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities on June 30, 2008. This increase is intended to provide compensation to providers for the years (2003, 2004, 2005, and 2006) where no trend factor was given. The catch up increase was based on the CMS PPS Skilled Nursing Facility Input Price Index (four (4) quarter moving average).

2. Adjustments to rates. The prospectively determined reimbursement rate may be adjusted only under the following conditions:

A. When information contained in a facility's cost report is found to be fraudulent, misrepresented, or inaccurate, the facility's reimbursement rate may be reduced, both retroactively and prospectively, if the fraudulent, misrepresented, or inaccurate information as originally reported resulted in establishment of a higher reimbursement rate than the facility would have received in the absence of this information. No decision by the *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** agency to impose a rate adjustment in the case of fraudulent, misrepresented, or inaccurate information in any way shall affect the *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** agency's ability to impose any sanctions authorized by statute or rule. The fact that fraudulent, misrepresented, or inaccurate information reported did not result in establishment of a higher reimbursement rate than the facility would have received in the absence of the information also does not affect the *[Medicaid]* **MO**

HealthNet agency's ability to impose any sanctions authorized by statute or rules;

B. In accordance with subsection (6)(B) of this rule, a newly constructed facility's initial reimbursement rate may be reduced if the facility's actual allowable per diem cost for its first twelve (12) months of operation is less than its initial rate;

C. When a facility's *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** reimbursement rate is higher than either its private pay rate or its Medicare rate, the *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** rate will be reduced in accordance with subsection (2)(B) of this rule;

D. When the provider can show that it incurred higher cost due to circumstances beyond its control, and the circumstances are not experienced by the nursing home or ICF/MR industry in general, the request must have a substantial cost effect. These circumstances include, but are not limited to:

(I) Acts of nature, such as fire, earthquakes, and flood, that are not covered by insurance;

(II) Vandalism, civil disorder, or both; or

(III) Replacement of capital depreciable items not built into existing rates that are the result of circumstances not related to normal wear and tear or upgrading of existing system;

E. When an adjustment to a facility's rate is made in accordance with the provisions of section (6) of this rule; or

F. When an adjustment is based on an Administrative Hearing Commission or court decision.

(B) In the case of newly constructed nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities entering the *[Missouri Medicaid P/MO HealthNet]* program after October 31, 1986, and for which no rate has previously been set, the director or his/her designee may set an initial rate for the facility as in his/her discretion s/he deems appropriate. The initial rate shall be subject to review by the advisory committee under the provisions of section (6) of this rule.

(5) Covered Services and Supplies.

(A) ICF/MR services and supplies covered by the per diem reimbursement rate under this plan, and which must be provided, as required by federal or state law or rule and include, among other services, the regular room, dietary and nursing services, or any other services that are required for standards of participation or certification. Also included are minor medical and surgical supplies and the use of equipment and facilities. These items include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. All general nursing services including, but not limited to, administration of oxygen and related medications, hand-feeding, incontinency care, tray service, and enemas;

2. Items which are furnished routinely and relatively uniformly to all *[recipients]* **participants**, for example, gowns, water pitchers, soap, basins, and bed pans;

3. Items such as alcohol, applicators, cotton balls, bandaids, and tongue depressors;

4. All nonlegend antacids, nonlegend laxatives, nonlegend stool softeners, and nonlegend vitamins. Any nonlegend drug in one (1) of these four (4) categories must be provided to residents as needed and no additional charge may be made to any party for any of these drugs. Facilities may not elect which nonlegend drugs in any of the four (4) categories to supply; all must be provided as needed within the existing per diem rate;

5. Items which are utilized by individual *[recipients]* **participants** but which are reusable and expected to be available, such as ice bags, bed rails, canes, crutches, walkers, wheelchairs, traction equipment, and other durable, nondepreciable medical equipment;

6. Additional items as specified in the appendix to this plan when required by the patient;

7. Special dietary supplements used for tube feeding or oral feeding, such as elemental high nitrogen diet, including dietary supplements written as a prescription item by a physician;

8. All laundry services except personal laundry which is a non-covered service;

9. All general personal care services which are furnished routinely and relatively uniformly to all *[recipients]* **participants** for their personal cleanliness and appearance shall be covered services, for example, necessary clipping and cleaning of fingernails and toenails, basic hair care, shampoos, and shaves to the extent necessary for reasonable personal hygiene. The provider shall not bill the patient or his/her responsible party for this type of personal service;

10. All consultative services as required by state or federal law or regulation or for proper operation by the provider. Contracts for the purchase of these services must accompany the provider cost report. Failure to do so will result in the penalties specified in section (9) of this rule;

11. Semiprivate room and board and private room and board when necessary to isolate a *[recipient]* **participant** due to a medical or social condition, such as contagious infection, irrational loud speech, and the like. Unless a private room is necessary due to a medical or social condition, a private room is a noncovered service, and a *[Medicaid recipient]* **MO HealthNet participant** or responsible party may therefore pay the difference between a facility's semiprivate charge and its charge for a private room. *[Medicaid recipients]* **MO HealthNet participants** may not be placed in private rooms and charged any additional amount above the facility's *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** per diem unless the *[recipient]* **participant** or responsible party in writing specifically requests a private room prior to placement in a private room and acknowledges that an additional amount not payable by *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** will be charged for a private room;

12. Twelve (12) days per any period of six (6) consecutive months during which a *[recipient]* **participant** is on a temporary leave of absence from the facility. Temporary leave of absence days must be specifically provided for in the *[recipient's]* **participant's** plan of care. Periods of time during which a *[recipient]* **participant** is away from the facility because s/he is visiting a friend or relative are considered temporary leaves of absence; and

13. Days when *[recipients]* **participants** are away from the facility overnight on facility-sponsored group trips under the continuing supervision and care of facility personnel.

(6) Rate Determination. All nonstate-operated ICF/MR providers of LTC services under the *[Missouri Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** program who desire to have their rates changed or established must apply to the *[Division of Medical Services]* **MO HealthNet Division**. The department may request the participation of the Department of Mental Health in the analysis for rate determination. The procedure and conditions for rate reconsideration are as follows:

(A) Advisory Committee. The director, Department of Social Services, shall appoint an advisory committee to review and make recommendations pursuant to provider requests for rate determination. The director may accept, reject, or modify the advisory committee's recommendations.

1. Membership. The advisory committee shall be composed of four (4) members representative of the nursing home industry in Missouri, three (3) members from the Department of Social Services, and two (2) members which may include, but are not limited to, a consumer representative, an accountant or economist, or a representative of the legal profession. Members shall be appointed for terms of twelve (12) months. The director shall select a chairman from the membership who shall serve at the director's discretion.

2. Procedures.

A. The committee may hold meetings when five (5) or more members are present and may make recommendations to the department in instances where a simple majority of those present and voting concur.

B. The committee shall meet no less than one (1) time each quarter, and members shall be reimbursed for expenses.

C. The *[Division of Medical Services]* **MO HealthNet Division** will summarize each case and, if requested by the advisory committee, make recommendations. The advisory committee may

request additional documentation as well as require the facility to submit to a comprehensive operational review to determine if there exists an efficient and economical delivery of patient services. The review will be made at the discretion of the committee and may be performed by it or its designee. The findings from a review may be used to determine the per diem rate for the facility. Failure to submit requested documentation shall be grounds for denial of the request.

D. The committee, at its discretion, may issue its recommendation based on written documentation or may request further justification from the provider sending the request.

E. The advisory committee shall have ninety (90) days from the receipt of each complete request, provided the request is on behalf of a facility which has executed a valid Title XIX participation agreement, or the receipt of any additional documentation to submit its recommendations in writing to the director. If the committee is unable to make a recommendation within the specified time limit, the director or his/her designee, if the committee establishes good cause, may grant a reasonable extension.

F. Final determination on rate adjustment. The director's, or his/her designee's, final decision on each request shall be issued in writing to the provider within fifteen (15) working days from receipt of the committee's recommendation.

G. The director's, or his/her designee's, final determination on the advisory committee's recommendation shall become effective on the first day of the month in which the request was made, providing that it was made prior to the tenth of the month. If the request is not filed by the tenth of the month, adjustments shall be effective the first day of the following month;

(B) In the case of new construction where a valid Title XIX participation agreement has been executed, a request for a rate must be submitted in writing to the *[Missouri Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division* and must specifically and clearly identify the issue and the total amount involved. The total dollar amount must be supported by complete, accurate, and documented records satisfactory to the single state agency. Until an initial per diem rate is established, the *[Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division* shall grant a tentative per diem rate for that period. In no case may a facility receive a per diem reimbursement rate greater than the class ceiling in effect on March 1, 1990, adjusted by the negotiated trend factor.

1. In the case of newly built facility or part of the facility which is less than two (2) years of age and enters the Title XIX Program on or after November 1, 1986, a reimbursement rate shall be assigned based on the projected estimated operating costs. Advice of the advisory committee will be obtained for all initial rate determination requests for new construction. Owners of new construction which have an approved CON are certified for participation and which have a valid Title XIX participation agreement shall submit a budget in accordance with the principles of section (7) of this rule and other documentation as the committee may request.

2. The establishment of the permanent rate for all new construction facility providers shall be based on the second full facility fiscal year cost report prepared in accordance with the principles of section (7) of this rule. This cost report shall be submitted within ninety (90) days of the close of their second full facility fiscal year. This cost report shall be based on actual operating costs. No request for an extension of this ninety (90)-day filing requirement will be considered. Any new construction facility provider which fails to timely submit the cost report may be subject to sanction under this rule and 13 CSR 70-3.030.

3. Prior to establishment of a permanent rate for new construction facility providers, the cost reports may be subject to an on-site audit by the Department of Social Services to determine the facility's actual allowable costs. Allowability of costs will be determined as described in subsection *[(3)(J)] (3)(A)* of this rule.

4. The cost report, audited or unaudited, will be reviewed by the *[Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division*, and each facility's actual allowable per diem cost will be determined. The

cost report shall not be submitted to the advisory committee for review. If a facility's actual allowable per diem cost is less than its initial per diem reimbursement rate, the facility's rate will be reduced to its actual allowable per diem cost. This reduction will be effective on the first day of the second full facility fiscal year.

5. If a facility's actual allowable per diem cost is higher than its initial per diem reimbursement rate, the facility's rate will not be adjusted; a facility shall not receive a rate increase based on review or audit of the cost report and actual operating costs;

(C) In the case of existing facilities not previously certified to participate in the Title XIX program, a request for a per diem reimbursement rate must be submitted in writing to the *[Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division* and must specifically and clearly identify the issue and the total amount involved. The total dollar amount must be supported by complete, accurate, and documented records satisfactory to the single state agency. Until the time as a per diem rate is established, the *[Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division* shall grant a tentative per diem rate for that period. In no case may a facility receive a per diem reimbursement rate greater than the class ceiling in effect on March 1, 1990, adjusted by the negotiated trend factor.

1. In the case of a facility described in subsection (6)(C) of this rule and entering the Title XIX program on or after March 1, 1990, a reimbursement rate shall be assigned based on the projected estimated operating costs. Advice of the advisory committee will be obtained for all initial rate determination requests for first full facility's fiscal year.

2. The establishment of the permanent rate for all existing facility providers shall be based on the second full facility fiscal year cost report prepared in accordance with the principles of section (7) of this rule. This cost report shall be submitted within ninety (90) days of the close of their second full facility fiscal year. This cost report shall be based on actual operating costs. No request for an extension of this ninety (90)-day filing requirement will be considered. Any new construction facility provider which fails to timely submit the cost report may be subject to sanction under this rule and 13 CSR 70-3.030.

3. Prior to establishment of a permanent rate for existing facility providers, the cost reports may be subject to an on-site audit by the Department of Social Services to determine the facility's actual allowable costs. Allowability of costs will be determined as described in subsection *[(3)(J)] (3)(A)* of this rule.

4. The cost report, audited or unaudited, will be reviewed by the *[Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division*, and each facility's actual allowable per diem cost will be determined. The cost report shall not be submitted to the advisory committee for review. If a facility's actual allowable per diem cost is less than its initial per diem reimbursement rate, the facility's rate will be reduced to its actual allowable per diem cost. This reduction will be effective on the second day of the first full facility fiscal year.

5. If a facility's actual allowable per diem cost is higher than its initial per diem reimbursement rate, the facility's rate will not be adjusted; a facility shall not receive a rate increase based on review or audit of the cost report and actual operating costs;

(D) Rate Reconsideration.

1. The committee may review the following conditions for rate reconsideration:

A. Those costs directly related to a change in a facility's case mix; and

B. Requests for rate reconsideration which the director, in his/her discretion, may refer to the committee due to extraordinary circumstances contained in the request and as defined in subparagraph (4)(A)2.D. of this rule.

2. The request for an adjustment must be submitted in writing to the *[Missouri Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division* and must specifically and clearly identify the issue and the total dollar amount involved. The total dollar amount must be supported by complete, accurate, and documented records satisfactory to

the single state agency. The facility must demonstrate that the adjustment is necessary, proper, and consistent with efficient and economical delivery of covered patient care services.

3. However, for state fiscal years after Fiscal Year 1987, in no case may a facility receive a per diem reimbursement rate higher than the class ceiling for that facility in effect on June 30 of the preceding fiscal year adjusted by the negotiated trend factor.

4. The following will not be subject to review:

- A. The negotiated trend factor;
- B. The use of prospective reimbursement rate; and

C. The cost base for the June 30 per diem rate except as specified in this rule;

(E) Rate Adjustments. The department may alter a facility's per diem rate based on—

- 1. Court decisions;
- 2. Administrative Hearing Commission decisions;
- 3. Determination through desk audits, field audits, and other means, which establishes misrepresentations in or the inclusion of unallowable costs in the cost report used to establish the per diem rate. In these cases, the adjustment shall be applied retroactively;
- 4. Adjustments determined by the department without the advice of the rate advisory committee.

A. Prospective payment adjustment (PPA). A FY-92 PPA will be provided prior to the end of the state fiscal year for nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities with a current provider agreement on file with the *[Division of Medical Services]* **MO HealthNet Division** as of October 1, 1991.

(I) For providers which qualify, the PPA shall be the lesser of—

(a) The provider's facility peer group factor (FPGF) times the projected patient days (PPD) covered by the adjustment year times the prospective payment adjustment factor (PPAF) times the nonstate-operated intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded ceiling (ICFMRC) on October 1, 1991 ($FPGF \times PPD \times PPAF \times ICFMRC$). For example: A provider having nine hundred twenty (920) paid days for the period May 1991 to July 1991 out of a total paid days for this same period of twenty-eight thousand five hundred sixty-one (28,561) represents an FPGF of three and twenty-two hundredths percent (3.22%). So using the $FPGF$ of 3.22% \times $114,244 \times 24.5\% \times \$156.01 = \$140,659$; or

(b) The provider FPGF times one hundred forty-five percent (145%) of the amount credited to the intermediate care revenue collection center (ICRCC) of the State Title XIX Fund (STF) for the period October 1, 1991 through December 31, 1991.

(II) FPGF—is determined by using each ICF/MR facility's paid days for the service dates in May 1991 through July 1991 as of September 20, 1991, divided by the sum of the paid days for the same service dates for all provider's qualifying as of the determination date of October 16, 1991.

(III) ICFMRC—is one hundred fifty-six dollars and one cent (\$156.01) on October 1, 1991.

(IV) PPAF—is equal to twenty-four and five-tenths percent (24.5%) for Fiscal Year 1992 which includes an adjustment for economic trends.

(V) PPD—is the projection of one hundred fourteen thousand two hundred forty-four (114,244) patient days made on October 1, 1991, for the adjustment year;

5. FY-92 trend factor and Workers' Compensation. All facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective per diem rate in effect on September 1, 1992, shall be granted an increase to their per diem rate effective September 1, 1992, of eight dollars and eighty-six cents (\$8.86) per patient day related to the continuation of the FY-92 trend factor and the Workers' Compensation adjustment. This adjustment is equal to seven and one-half percent (7.5%) of the March 1992 weighted average per diem rate of one hundred eighteen dollars and fourteen cents (\$118.14) for all nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities; or

6. FY-93 negotiated trend factor. All facilities with either an interim rate or prospective per diem rate in effect on September 1, 1992, shall be granted an increase to their per diem rate effective September 1, 1992, of one dollar and sixty-six cents (\$1.66) per patient day for the negotiated trend factor. This adjustment is equal to one and four-tenths percent (1.4%) of the March 1992 weighted average per diem rate of one hundred eighteen dollars and fourteen cents (\$118.14) for all nonstate-operated ICF/MR facilities; and

(7) Allowable Cost Areas.

(C) Depreciation.

1. An appropriate allowance for depreciation on buildings, furnishings, and equipment which are part of the operation and sound conduct of the provider's business is an allowable cost item. Finder's fees are not an allowable cost item.

2. The depreciation must be identifiable and recorded in the provider's accounting records, based on the basis of the asset and prorated over the estimated useful life of the asset using the straight-line method of depreciation from the date initially put into service.

3. The basis of assets at the time placed in service shall be the lower of—

- A. The book value of the provider;
- B. Fair market value at the time of acquisition;
- C. The recognized Internal Revenue Service (IRS) tax basis;

and

D. In the case of the change in ownership, the cost basis of acquired assets of the owner of record on or after July 18, 1984, as of the effective date of the change of ownership; or in the case of a facility which entered the program after July 18, 1984, the owner at the time of the initial entry into the *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** program.

4. The basis of donated assets will be allowed to the extent of recognition of income resulting from the donation of the asset. Should a dispute arise between a provider and the Department of Social Services as to the fair market value at the time of acquisition of a depreciable asset and an appraisal by a third party is required, the appraisal cost will be shared proportionately by the *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** program and the facility in ratio to *[Medicaid recipient]* **MO HealthNet participant** reimbursable patient days to total patient days.

5. Allowable methods of depreciation shall be limited to the straight-line method. The depreciation method used for an asset under the *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** program need not correspond to the method used by a provider for non-*[Medicaid]*/**MO HealthNet** purposes; however, useful life shall be in accordance with the American Hospital Association's Guidelines. Component part depreciation is optional and allowable under this plan.

6. Historical cost is the cost incurred by the provider in acquiring the asset and preparing it for use except as provided in this rule. Usually, historical cost includes costs that would be capitalized under generally accepted accounting principles. For example, in addition to the purchase price, historical cost would include architectural fees and related legal fees. Where a provider has elected, for federal income tax purposes, to expense certain items such as interest and taxes during construction, the historical cost basis for *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** depreciation purposes may include the amount of these expensed items. However, where a provider did not capitalize these costs and has written off the costs in the year they were incurred, the provider cannot retroactively capitalize any part of these costs under the program. For Title XIX purposes and this rule, any asset costing less than five hundred dollars (\$500) or having a useful life of one (1) year or less, may be expensed and not capitalized at the option of the provider, or in the case of a facility which entered the program after July 18, 1984, the owner at the time of the initial entry into the *[Medicaid P]*/**MO HealthNet** program.

7. When an asset is acquired by trading in an existing asset, the cost basis of the new asset shall be the sum of undepreciated cost basis of the traded asset plus the cash paid.

8. For the purpose of determining allowance for depreciation, the cost basis of the asset shall be as prescribed in paragraph (7)(C)3.

9. Capital expenditures for building construction or for renovation costs which are in excess of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) and which cause an increase in a provider's bed capacity shall not be allowed in the program or depreciation base if these capital expenditures fail to comply with any other federal or state law or regulation, such as CON.

10. Amortization of leasehold rights and related interest and finance costs shall not be allowable costs under this plan.

(D) Interest and Finance Costs.

1. Necessary and proper interest on both current and capital indebtedness shall be an allowable cost item excluding finder's fees.

2. Interest is the cost incurred for the use of borrowed funds. Interest on current indebtedness is the cost incurred for funds borrowed for a relatively short term. This is usually for those purposes as working capital for normal operating expenses. Interest on capital indebtedness is the cost incurred for funds borrowed for capital purposes, such as acquisition of facilities and capital improvements, and this indebtedness must be amortized over the life of the loan.

3. Interest may be included in finance charges imposed by some lending institutions or it may be a prepaid cost or discount in transactions with those lenders who collect the full interest charges when funds are borrowed.

4. To be an allowable cost item, interest (including finance charges, prepaid costs, and discounts) must be supported by evidence of an agreement that funds were borrowed and that payment of interest and repayment of the funds are required, identifiable in the provider's accounting records, relating to the reporting period in which the costs are claims, and necessary and proper for the operation, maintenance, or acquisition of the provider's facilities.

5. Necessary means that the interest be incurred for a loan made to satisfy a financial need of the provider and for a purpose related to **[recipient] participant** care. Loans which result in excess funds or investments are not considered necessary.

6. Proper means that the interest be incurred at a rate not in excess of what a prudent borrower would have had to pay in the money market existing at the time the loan was made, and provided further the department shall not reimburse for interest and finance charges any amount in excess of the prime rate current at the time the loan was obtained.

7. Interest on loans to providers by proprietors, partners, and any stockholders shall not be an allowable cost item because the loans shall be treated as invested capital and included in the computation of an allowable return on owner's net equity. If a facility operated by a religious order borrows from the order, interest paid to the order shall be an allowable cost.

8. If loans for capital indebtedness exceed the asset cost basis as defined in subsection (7)(C) of this rule, the interest associated with the portion of the loan(s) which exceed the asset cost basis as defined in subsection (7)(C) of this rule shall not be allowable.

9. Income from a provider's qualified retirement fund shall be excluded in consideration of the per diem rate.

10. A provider shall amortize finance charges, prepaid interest, and discount over the period of the loan ratably or by means of the constant rate of interest method on the unpaid balance.

11. Usual and customary costs, excluding finder's fees, incurred to obtain loans shall be treated as interest expense and shall be allowable costs over the loan period ratably or by means of the constant interest applied method.

12. Usual and customary costs shall be limited to the lender's title and recording fees, appraisal fees, legal fees, escrow fees, and closing costs.

13. Interest expense resultant from capital expenditures for building construction or for renovation costs which are in excess of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) and which cause an increase in a bed capacity by the provider shall not be an allowable

cost item if the capital expenditure fails to comply with other federal or state law or rules such as CON.

(E) Rental and Leases.

1. Rental and leases of land, buildings, furnishings, and equipment are allowable cost areas provided that the rented items are necessary and not in essence a purchase of those assets. Finder's fees are not an allowable cost item.

2. Necessary rental and lease items are those which are pertinent to the economical operation of the provider.

3. In the case of related parties, rental and lease amounts cannot exceed the lesser of those which are actually paid or the costs to the related party.

4. Determination of reasonable and adequate reimbursement for rental and amounts, except in the case of related parties which is subject to other provisions of this rule, may require affidavits of competent, impartial experts who are familiar with the current rentals and leases.

5. The test of necessary costs shall take into account the agreement between the owner and the tenant regarding the payment of related property costs.

6. Leases subject to CON approval must have that approval before a rate is determined.

7. If rent or lease costs increase solely as a result of change in ownership, the resulting increase which exceeds the allowable capital cost of the owner of record as of July 18, 1984, or in the case of a facility which entered the program after July 18, 1984, the owner at the time of the initial entry into the **[Medicaid P/MO HealthNet]** program, shall be a nonallowable cost.

(N) Utilization Review. Incurred cost for the performance of required utilization review for ICF/MR is an allowable cost area. The expenditures must be for the purpose of providing utilization review on behalf of Title XIX **[recipient] participant**. Utilization review costs incurred for Title XVIII and Title XIX must be apportioned on the basis of reimbursable **[recipient] participant** days recorded for each program during the reporting period.

(P) Nonreimbursable Costs.

1. Bad debts, charity, and courtesy allowances are deductions from revenue and are not to be included as allowable costs.

2. Those services that are specifically provided by Medicare and **[Medicaid] MO HealthNet** must be billed to those agencies.

3. Any costs incurred that are related to fund drives are not reimbursable.

4. Costs incurred for research purposes shall not be included as allowable costs.

5. The cost of services provided under the Title XX program, by contract or subcontract, is specifically excluded as an allowable item.

6. Attorney fees related to litigation involving state, local, or federal governmental entities and attorneys' fees which are not related to the provision of LTC services, such as litigation related to disputes between or among owners, operators, or administrators.

7. Costs, such as legal fees, accounting and administration costs, travel costs and the costs of feasibility studies, which are attributable to the negotiation or settlement of the sale or purchase of any capital asset by acquisition of merger for which any payment has been previously made under the program.

(Q) Other Revenues. Other revenues, including those listed that follow and excluding amounts collected under paragraph (5)(A)8. will be deducted from the total allowable cost and must be shown separately in the cost report by use of a separate schedule if included in the gross revenue: income from telephone services; sale of employee and guest meals; sale of medical abstracts; sale of scrap and waste food or materials; rental income; cash, trade, quantity time, and other discounts; purchase rebates and refunds; recovery on insured loss; parking lot revenues; vending machine commissions or profit; sales from drugs to other than **[recipients] participants**; income from investments of whatever type; and room reservation charges for temporary leave of absence days which are not covered

services under section (5) of this rule. Failure to separately account for any of the revenues specifically set out previously in this rule in a readily ascertainable manner shall result in termination from the program.

1. Interest income received from a funded depreciation account will not be deducted from allowable operating costs provided that interest is applied to the replacement of the asset being depreciated.

2. Cost centers or operations specified by the provider in paragraph (7)(R)3. of this rule shall not have their associated cost or revenues included in the covered costs or revenues of the facility.

3. Restricted and unrestricted funds.

A. Restricted funds as used in this rule mean those funds, cash or otherwise, including grants, gifts, taxes, and income from endowments, which must be used only for a specific purpose designated by the donor. Those restricted funds which are not transferred funds and are designated by the donor for paying operating costs will be offset from the total allowable expenses. If an administrative body has the authority to rerestrict restricted funds designated by the donor for paying operating costs, the funds will not be offset from total allowable expenses.

B. Unrestricted funds as used in this rule mean those funds, cash or otherwise, including grants, gifts, taxes, and income from endowments, that are given to a provider without restriction by the donor as to their use. These funds can be used in any manner desired by the provider. However, those unrestricted funds which are not transferred funds and are used for paying operating costs will be offset from total allowable expenses.

C. Transferred funds as used in this rule are those funds appropriated through a legislative or governmental administrative body's action, state or local, to a state or local government provider. The transfer can be state-to-state, state-to-local or local-to-local provider. These funds are not considered a grant or gift for reimbursement purposes, so having no effect on the provider's allowable cost under this plan.

(R) Apportionment of Costs to *[Medicaid Recipient]* MO HealthNet Participant Residents.

1. Provider's allowable cost areas shall be apportioned between *[Medicaid Program recipient]* MO HealthNet program participant residents and other patients so that the share borne by the *[Medicaid P/MO HealthNet program]* is based upon actual services received by program *[recipients]* participants.

2. To accomplish this apportionment, the ratio of *[recipient]* participant residents' charges to total patient charges for the service of each ancillary department may be applied to the cost of this department. To this shall be added the cost of routine services for *[Medicaid Program recipient]* MO HealthNet program participant residents determined on the basis of a separate average cost per diem for general routine care areas or at the option of the provider on the basis of overall routine care area.

3. So that its charges may be allowable for use in apportioning costs under the program, each provider shall have an established charge structure which is applied uniformly to each patient as services are furnished to the patient and which is reasonable and consistently related to the cost of providing these services.

4. Average cost per diem for general routine services means the amount computed by dividing the total allowable patient costs for routine services by the total number of patient days of care rendered by the provider in the cost-reporting period.

5. A patient day of care is that period of service rendered a patient between the census-taking hours on two (2) consecutive days, including the twelve (12) temporary leave of absence days per any period of six (6) consecutive months as specifically covered under section (5) of this rule, the day of discharge being counted only when the patient was admitted the same day. A census log shall be maintained in the facility for documentation purposes. Census shall be taken daily at midnight. A day of care includes those overnight periods when a *[recipient]* participant is away from the facility on a

facility-sponsored group trip and remains under the supervision and care of facility personnel.

6. ICF/MR facilities that provide intermediate care services to *[Medicaid recipients]* MO HealthNet participants may establish distinct part cost centers in their facility provided that adequate accounting and statistical data required to separately determine the nursing care cost of each distinct part is maintained. Each distinct part may share the common services and facilities, such as management services, dietary, housekeeping, building maintenance, and laundry.

7. In no case may a provider's allowable costs allocated to the *[Medicaid P/MO HealthNet]* program include the cost of furnishing services to persons not covered under the *[Medicaid P/MO HealthNet]* program.

(S) Return on Equity.

1. A return on a provider's net equity shall be an allowable cost area.

2. The amount of return on a provider's net equity shall not exceed twelve percent (12%).

3. An owner's net equity is comprised of investment capital and working capital. Investment capital includes the investment in building, property, and equipment (cost of land, mortgage payments toward principle, and equipment purchase less the accumulative depreciation). Working capital represents the amount of capital which is required to insure proper operation of the facility.

4. The return on owner's net equity shall be payable only to proprietary providers.

5. A provider's return on owner's net equity shall be apportioned to the *[Medicaid P/MO HealthNet]* program on the basis of the provider's *[Medicaid P/MO HealthNet]* program reimbursable *[recipient]* participant resident days of care to total resident days of care during the cost-reporting period. For the purpose of this calculation, total resident days of care shall be the greater of ninety percent (90%) of the provider's certified bed capacity or actual occupancy during the cost year.

(8) Reporting Requirements.

(A) Annual Cost Report.

1. Each provider shall establish a twelve (12)-month fiscal period which is to be designated as the provider's fiscal year. An annual cost report for the fiscal year shall be submitted by the provider to the department on forms to be furnished for that purpose. The completed cost report shall be submitted by each provider the first day of the sixth month following the close of the fiscal period.

2. Unless adequate and current documentation in the following areas has been filed previously with the department, authenticated copies of the following documents must be submitted with the cost reports: authenticated copies of all leases related to the activities of the facility; all management contracts, all contracts with consultants; federal and state income tax returns for the fiscal year; and documentation of expenditures, by line item, made under all restricted and unrestricted grants. For restricted grants, a statement verifying the restriction as specified by the donor.

3. Adequate documentation for all line items on the uniform cost reports must be maintained by the facility and must be submitted to the department upon request.

4. If a cost report is more than ten (10) days past due, payment shall be withheld from the facility until the cost report is submitted. Upon receipt of a cost report prepared in accordance with this regulation, the payments that were withheld will be released to the provider. For cost reports which are more than ninety (90) days past due, the department may terminate the provider's *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet participation agreement and if terminated, retain all payments which have been withheld pursuant to this provision.

5. If a provider notifies, in writing, the director of the Institutional Reimbursement Unit of the division prior to the change of control, ownership, or termination of participation in the *[Medicaid P/MO HealthNet]* program, the division will withhold

all remaining payments from the selling provider until the cost report is filed. The fully completed cost report with all required attachments and documentation is due the first day of the sixth month after the date of change of control, ownership, or termination. Upon receipt of a cost report prepared in accordance with this regulation, any payment that was withheld will be released to the selling provider.

(10) Exceptions.

(A) For those *[Medicaid/MO HealthNet-eligible [recipient/participant-patients who have concurrent Medicare Part A skilled nursing facilities benefits available, [Missouri Medical Assistance Program] MO HealthNet reimbursement for covered days of stay in a qualified facility will be based on the coinsurance as may be imposed under the Medicare Program.*

(B) The Title XIX reimbursement rate for out-of-state providers shall be set by one (1) of the following methods:

1. For providers which provided services of fewer than one thousand (1,000) patient days for Missouri Title XIX *[recipients/participants]*, the reimbursement rate shall be the rate paid for comparable services and level-of-care by the state in which the provider is located; and

2. For providers which provide services of one thousand (1,000) or more patient days for Missouri Title XIX *[recipients/participants]*, the reimbursement rate shall be the lower of—

A. The rate paid for comparable services and level-of-care by the state in which the provider is located; or

B. The rate calculated in sections (4) and (6) of this rule.

(11) Payment Assurance.

(B) Where third-party payment is involved, *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* will be the payor of last resort with the exception of state programs such as Vocational Rehabilitation and the Missouri Crippled Children's Service. Procedures for remitting third-party payments are provided in the *[Missouri Medical Assistance P/MO HealthNet program provider manuals.*

(13) Payment in Full. Participation in the program shall be limited to providers who accept as payment in full for covered services rendered to *[Medicaid recipients] MO HealthNet participants*, the amount paid in accordance with these rules and applicable copayments.

AUTHORITY: section[s 208.153,] 208.159 [and 208.201], RSMo 2000 and sections 208.153 and 208.201, RSMo Supp. 2007. This rule was previously filed as 13 CSR 40-81.083. Original rule filed Aug. 13, 1982, effective Nov. 11, 1982. For intervening history, please consult the Code of State Regulations. Emergency amendment filed June 18, 2008, effective July 1, 2008, expires Dec. 28, 2008. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will cost public entities or political subdivisions approximately nine hundred eighty-seven thousand one hundred eighteen dollars (\$987,118) annually until amended.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division, 615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, MO 65109. To be considered, comments must be delivered by regular mail, express or overnight mail, in person, or by courier within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. If to be hand-delivered, comments must be brought to the MO HealthNet Division at

615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, Missouri. No public hearing is scheduled.

**FISCAL NOTE
PUBLIC COST**

- I. Department Title: Department of Social Services**
Division Title: MO HealthNet Division
Chapter Title: Nursing Home Program

Rule Number and Name:	13 CSR 70-10.030 Prospective Reimbursement Plan for Nonstate-Operated Facilities for ICF/MR Services
Type of Rulemaking:	Proposed Amendment

II. SUMMARY OF FISCAL IMPACT

Affected Agency or Political Subdivision	Estimated Cost of Compliance in the Aggregate
Department of Social Services MO HealthNet Division	Annual estimated cost: \$987,118 **

III. WORKSHEET

SFY 2009:

3% Trend

Estimated paid Days: SFY 2009	29,848
x Average Rate Increase	<u>\$5.86 *</u>
Total Estimated Impact for 3%: SFY 2009	<u>\$174,715</u>

13.95% Increase

Estimated Paid Days: SFY 2009	29,848
x Average Rate Increase	<u>\$27.22 *</u>
Total Estimated Impact for 13.95%: SFY 2009	<u>\$812,402</u>

Grand Total Impact SFY 2009	<u>\$987,118</u>
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IV. ASSUMPTIONS

Effective for dates of services billed for state fiscal year 2009, ICF/MR facilities Medicaid per-diem rates will be increased by three percent (3%) and thirteen and ninety-five hundredths percent (13.95%). The adjustment for each facility is calculated by multiplying 3% and 13.95% by the per diem rate paid on June 30, 2008. The total for the 3% and the 13.95% increase is then totaled for the grand total impact.

- * The average rate increase is a weighted average of the facilities computed by adding the impact for all the facilities and dividing by the estimated days for all the facilities. The impact for each facility was determined by multiplying the estimated days for each facility by each facility's specific rate increase that reflected the 3% and the 13.95% increase.

- ** The \$987,118 is the estimated cost for SFY 2009. After SFY 2009 this amount will become part of the core budget and continue annually until amended.

Title 13—DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
Division 70—MO HealthNet Division
Chapter 10—Nursing Home Program

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

13 CSR 70-10.080 Prospective Reimbursement Plan for HIV Nursing Facility Services. The division is amending sections (1), (2), (4), (10), and (13).

PURPOSE: This amendment provides for the following changes: section (1) was changed to update the division's name; section (2) was changed to clearly state the division's policy regarding how the division will implement its decisions during the appeal process; section (4) was changed to update the definition of division; section (10) was changed to add "incorporated by reference" language to the cost report and instructions; and section (13) was changed to move global per diem adjustments to 13 CSR 70-10.016.

PUBLISHER'S NOTE: The secretary of state has determined that the publication of the entire text of the material which is incorporated by reference as a portion of this rule would be unduly cumbersome or expensive. This material as incorporated by reference in this rule shall be maintained by the agency at its headquarters and shall be made available to the public for inspection and copying at no more than the actual cost of reproduction. This note applies only to the reference material. The entire text of the rule is printed here.

(1) Authority. This regulation is established pursuant to the authorization granted to the Department of Social Services (department), *[Division of Medical Services]* **MO HealthNet Division** (division), to promulgate rules and regulations.

(2) Purpose. This regulation establishes a methodology for determination of reimbursement rates for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) nursing facilities, operated exclusively for persons with HIV that causes acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS). Subject to limitations prescribed elsewhere in this regulation, a facility's reimbursement rate shall be determined by the division as described in this regulation. Any reimbursement rate determined~~/,~~ by the division~~[, that has been appealed in a timely manner shall not be final until there is a final decision.]~~ shall be a final decision and will be implemented as set forth in the division's decision letter. The decisions of the division may be subject to review upon properly filing a complaint with the Administrative Hearing Commission (AHC). A nursing facility seeking review by the AHC must obtain a stay from the AHC to stop the division from implementing its final decision if the AHC determines the facility meets the criteria for a stay and so orders. If the facility appeals the division's decision, it is the responsibility of the nursing facility to notify any interested parties, including but not limited to hospice providers, that the rate being received is not a final rate and is subject to change. Federal financial participation is available on expenditures for services provided within the scope of the Federal Medicaid Program and made under a court order in accordance with 42 CFR 431.250.

(4) Definitions.

(U) Division. Unless otherwise specified, division refers to the *[Division of Medical Services]* **MO HealthNet Division**, the division of the Department of Social Services charged with administration of Missouri's *[Medical Assistance (Medicaid)]* **MO HealthNet Program**.

(YY) Incorporation by Reference. This rule adopts and incorporates by reference the provisions of the—

1. **Financial and Statistical Report for Nursing Facilities (version MSIR-1 (3-95)) and the cost report instructions (revised 3/95) published by the Missouri Department of Social Services,**

[Division of Medical Services, Financial and Statistical Report for Nursing Facilities (Title XIX Cost Report)] **MO HealthNet Division, 615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, MO 65109, August 1, 2008. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions;**

2. *[Missouri Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet Nursing Home Manual[,], which is published by the Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division, 615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, MO 65109, at its website www.dss.mo.gov/mhd, August 1, 2008. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.**

(10) Provider Reporting and Record Keeping Requirements.

(A) Annual Cost Report. The cost report (version MSIR-1 (3-95)) and cost report instructions (revised 3/95) are incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule as published by the Department of Social Services, **MO HealthNet Division, 615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, MO 65109, August 1, 2008. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.**

1. Each provider shall adopt the same twelve (12)-month fiscal period for completing its cost report as is used for federal income tax reporting.

2. Each provider is required to complete and submit to the division an annual cost report, including all worksheets, attachments, schedules, and requests for additional information from the division. The cost report shall be submitted on forms provided by the division for that purpose. Any substitute or computer generated cost report must have prior approval by the division.

3. All cost reports shall be completed in accordance with the requirements of this regulation and the cost report instructions. Financial reporting shall adhere to GAAP, except as otherwise specifically indicated in this regulation.

4. The cost report submitted must be based on the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental institutions operating on a cash or modified cash basis of accounting may continue to report on that basis, provided appropriate treatment for capital expenditures is made under GAAP.

5. Cost reports shall be submitted by the first day of the fourth month following the close of the fiscal period, unless an extension has been granted.

6. If requested in writing and postmarked prior to the first day of the fourth month following the close of the fiscal period, one (1) thirty (30)-day extension of the filing date may be granted.

7. If a cost report is more than ten (10) days past due, payment shall be withheld from the facility until the cost report is submitted. Upon receipt of a cost report prepared in accordance with this regulation, the payments that were withheld will be released to the provider. For cost reports which are more than ninety (90) days past due, the department may terminate the provider's Medicaid participation agreement and, if terminated, retain all payments which have been withheld pursuant to this provision.

8. Copies of signed agreements and other significant documents related to the provider's operation and provision of care to Medicaid recipients must be attached (unless otherwise noted) to the cost report at the time of filing unless current and accurate copies have already been filed with the division. Material which must be submitted or available upon request includes, but is not limited to, the following:

A. Audit prepared by an independent accountant, including disclosure statements and management letter or SEC Form 10-K;

B. Contracts or agreements involving the purchase of facilities or equipment during the last seven (7) years if requested by the division, the department, or its agents;

C. Contracts or agreements with owners or related parties;

D. Contracts with consultants;

E. Documentation of expenditures, by line item, made under all restricted and unrestricted grants;

F. Federal and state income tax returns for the fiscal year, if requested by the division, the department, or its agents;

G. Leases and/or rental agreements related to the activities of the provider if requested by the division, the department, or its agents;

H. Management contracts;

I. Medicare cost report, if applicable;

J. Review and compilation statement;

K. Statement verifying the restrictions as specified by the donor, prior to donation, for all restricted grants;

L. Working trial balance actually used to prepare the cost report with line number tracing notations or similar identifications; and

M. Schedule of capital assets with corresponding debt.

9. Cost reports must be fully, clearly, and accurately completed. All required attachments must be submitted before a cost report is considered complete. If any additional information, documentation, or clarification requested by the division or its authorized agent is not provided within fourteen (14) days of the date of receipt of the division's request, payments may be withheld from the facility until the information is submitted.

10. Under no circumstances will the division accept amended cost reports for rate determination or rate adjustment after the date of the division's notification of the final determination of the rate.

(13) Adjustments to the Reimbursement Rates. Subject to the limitations prescribed elsewhere in this regulation, a facility's reimbursement rate may be adjusted as described in this section **and 13 CSR 70-10.016**.

(A) Global Per Diem Rate Adjustments. A facility with either an interim rate or a prospective rate may qualify for the global per diem rate adjustments **as set forth in 13 CSR 70-10.016**. Global per diem rate adjustments shall be added to the specified cost component ceiling.

[1. Minimum wage adjustment. All facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate in effect on September 1, 1997, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective September 1, 1997, of one dollar and ninety-eight cents (\$1.98) to allow for the change in minimum wage. Utilizing Fiscal Year 1995 cost report data, the total industry hours reported for each payroll category was multiplied by the forty-cent (40¢) increase, divided by the patient days for the facilities reporting hours for that payroll category and factored up by 8.67% to account for the related increase to payroll taxes. This calculation excludes the director of nursing, the administrator and assistant administrator.

2. FY-98 negotiated trend factor.

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on October 1, 1997, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective October 1, 1997, of 3.4% of the cost determined in paragraphs (11)(A)1., (11)(B)1., (11)(C)1. and the property insurance and property taxes detailed in paragraph (11)(D)3. of this regulation; or

B. Facilities that were granted a prospective rate based on paragraph (12)(A)2. that is in effect on October 1, 1995, shall have their increase determined by subsection (3)(S) of this regulation.

3. FY-99 negotiated trend factor.

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on October 1, 1998, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective October 1, 1998, of 2.1% of the cost determined in paragraphs (11)(A)1., (11)(B)1., (11)(C)1., the property insurance and property taxes detailed in paragraph (11)(D)3. of this regulation and the minimum wage adjustment detailed in paragraph (13)(A)1.; or

B. Facilities that were granted a prospective rate based on paragraph (12)(A)2. that is in effect on October 1,

1998, shall have their increase determined by subsection (3)(S) of this regulation.

4. FY-2000 negotiated trend factor.

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on July 1, 1999, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective July 1, 1999, of 1.94% of the cost determined in subsections (11)(A), (11)(B), (11)(C), the property insurance and property taxes detailed in paragraph (11)(D)3. and the minimum wage adjustment detailed in paragraph (13)(A)1. of this regulation; or

B. Facilities that were granted a prospective rate based on paragraph (12)(A)2. that is in effect on July 1, 1999, shall have their increase determined by subsection (3)(S) of this regulation.

5. FY-2004 nursing facility operations adjustment.

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on July 1, 2003, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004 of four dollars and thirty-two cents (\$4.32) for the cost of nursing facility operations. Effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2004, the per diem adjustment shall be reduced to three dollars and seventy-eight cents (\$3.78).

B. The operations adjustment shall be added to the facility's current rate as of June 30, 2003 and is effective for payment dates after August 1, 2003.

6. FY-2007 quality improvement adjustment.

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or prospective rate in effect on July 1, 2006, shall be granted an increase to their per diem effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2006 of three dollars and seventeen cents (\$3.17) to improve the quality of life for nursing facility residents.

B. The quality improvement adjustment shall be added to the facility's current rate as of June 30, 2006 and is effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2006 and after.

7. FY-2007 trend adjustment.

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate in effect on February 1, 2007, shall be granted an increase to their per diem rate effective for dates of service beginning February 1, 2007 of three dollars and zero cents (\$3.00) to allow for a trend adjustment to ensure quality nursing facility services.

B. The trend adjustment shall be added to the facility's reimbursement rate as of January 31, 2007 and is effective for dates of service beginning February 1, 2007 for payment dates after March 1, 2007.

8. FY-2008 trend adjustment.

A. Facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate in effect on July 1, 2007, shall be granted an increase to their per diem rate effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2007 of six dollars and zero cents (\$6.00) to allow for a trend adjustment to ensure quality nursing facility services.

B. The trend adjustment shall be added to the facility's current rate as of June 30, 2007 and is effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2007.]

AUTHORITY: sections 208.153 and 208.201, RSMo [2000] *Supp.* 2007 [and CCS for SCS for HCS for HB 1011, 93rd General Assembly]. Original rule filed Aug. 1, 1995, effective March 30, 1996. For intervening history, please consult the **Code of State Regulations**. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost public entities or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: *Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division, 615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, MO 65109. To be considered, comments must be delivered by regular mail, express or overnight mail, in person, or by courier within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. If to be hand-delivered, comments must be brought to the MO HealthNet Division at 615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, Missouri. No public hearing is scheduled.*

Title 13—DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
Division 70—[Division of Medical Services]
MO HealthNet Division
Chapter 15—Hospital Program

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

13 CSR 70-15.010 Inpatient Hospital Services Reimbursement Plan; Outpatient Hospital Services Reimbursement Methodology. The division is amending sections (1)–(8), (10), (12)–(15), and (17)–(21).

PURPOSE: *This amendment provides for the MO HealthNet share of the Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA) assessment cost included in the Direct Medicaid payment to be allocated between a hospital's inpatient and outpatient services. This amendment also clarifies the calculation of the estimated MO HealthNet days to be used in determining the Direct Medicaid payment, and updates the trend indices used for inflating prior fiscal year data to the current state fiscal year. It also changes the name of the state's medical assistance program to MO HealthNet and revises the name of the program's administering agency to MO HealthNet Division to comply with state law. The amendment also changes reference to program recipients to participants.*

(1) General Reimbursement Principles.

(A) For inpatient hospital services provided for an individual entitled to Medicare Part A inpatient hospital benefits and eligible for [Medicaid] MO HealthNet, reimbursement from the [Missouri Medicaid P/MO HealthNet] program will be available only when [Medicaid's] MO HealthNet's applicable payment schedule amount exceeds the amount paid by Medicare. [Medicaid's] MO HealthNet's payment will be limited to the lower of the deductible and coinsurance amounts or the amount the [Medicaid] MO HealthNet applicable payment schedule amount exceeds the Medicare payments. For all other [Medicaid recipients] MO HealthNet participants, unless otherwise limited by rule, reimbursement will be based solely on the individual [recipient's] participant's days of care (within benefit limitations) multiplied by the individual hospital's Title XIX per diem rate. As described in paragraph (5)(D)2. of this rule, as part of each hospital's fiscal year-end cost settlement determination, a comparison of total [Medicaid/MO HealthNet]-covered aggregate charges and total [Medicaid] MO HealthNet payments will be made and any hospital whose aggregate [Medicaid] MO HealthNet per diem payments exceed aggregate [Medicaid] MO HealthNet charges will be subject to a retroactive adjustment.

(C) The Title XIX reimbursement for hospitals, excluding those located outside Missouri and in-state federal hospitals, shall include per diem payments, outpatient payments, disproportionate share payments; various [Medicaid] MO HealthNet Add-On payments, as described in this rule; or a safety net adjustment, paid in lieu of Direct Medicaid Payments described in section (15) and Uninsured

Add-Ons described in subsection (18)(B). Reimbursement shall be subject to availability of federal financial participation (FFP).

1. Per diem reimbursement—The per diem rate is established in accordance with section (3).

2. Outpatient reimbursement is described in 13 CSR 70-15.160.

3. Disproportionate share reimbursement—The disproportionate share payments described in section (16), and subsection (18)(B), include both the federally mandated reimbursement for hospitals which meet the federal requirements listed in section (6) and the discretionary disproportionate share payments which are allowable but not mandated under federal regulation. These Safety Net and Uninsured Add-Ons shall not exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the unreimbursed cost for [Medicaid] MO HealthNet and the cost of the uninsured unless otherwise permitted by federal law.

4. [Medicaid] MO HealthNet Add-Ons—[Medicaid] MO HealthNet Add-Ons are described in sections (13), (14), (15), (19), and (21) and are in addition to [Medicaid] MO HealthNet per diem payments. These payments are subject to the federal Medicare Upper Limit test.

5. Safety Net Adjustment—The payments described in subsection (16)(A) are paid in lieu of Direct Medicaid Payments described in section (15) and Uninsured Add-Ons described in subsection (18)(B).

(2) Definitions.

(A) Allowable costs. Allowable costs are those related to covered [Medicaid] MO HealthNet services defined as allowable in 42 CFR chapter IV, part 413, except as specifically excluded or restricted in 13 CSR 70-15.010 or the [Missouri Medicaid] MO HealthNet hospital provider manual and detailed on the desk-reviewed Medicare/Medicaid cost report. Penalties or incentive payments as a result of Medicare target rate calculations shall not be considered allowable costs. Implicit in any definition of allowable cost is that this cost is allowable only to the extent that it relates to patient care; is reasonable, ordinary, and necessary; and is not in excess of what a prudent and cost-conscious buyer pays for the given service or item.

(G) Cost report. A cost report details, for purposes of both Medicare and [Medicaid] MO HealthNet reimbursement, the cost of rendering covered services for the fiscal reporting period. The Medicare/Medicaid Uniform Cost Report contains the forms utilized in filing the cost report.

(I) Disproportionate share reimbursement. The disproportionate share payments described in section (16), and subsection (18)(B), include both the federally mandated reimbursement for hospitals which meet the federal requirements listed in section (6) and the discretionary disproportionate share payments which are allowed but not mandated under federal regulation. These Safety Net and Uninsured Payment Add-Ons shall not exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the unreimbursed cost for [Medicaid] MO HealthNet and the cost of the uninsured unless otherwise permitted by federal law.

(K) [Medicaid] MO HealthNet inpatient days. [Medicaid] MO HealthNet inpatient days are paid [Medicaid] MO HealthNet days for inpatient hospital services as reported by the Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS).

(L) Medicare rate. The Medicare rate is the rate established on the basis of allowable cost as defined by applicable Medicare standards and principles of reimbursement (42 CFR parts 405 and 413) as determined by the servicing fiscal intermediary based on yearly hospital cost reports.

(M) Nonreimbursable items. For purposes of reimbursement of reasonable cost, the following are not subject to reimbursement:

1. Allowances for return on equity capital;

2. Amounts representing growth allowances in excess of the intensity allowance, profits, efficiency bonuses, or a combination of these;

3. Cost in excess of the principal of reimbursement specified in 42 CFR chapter IV, part 413; and

4. Costs or services or costs and services specifically excluded or restricted in this plan or the *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* hospital provider manual.

(O) Reasonable cost. The reasonable cost of inpatient hospital services is an individual hospital's *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* per diem cost per day as determined in accordance with the general plan rate calculation from section (3) of this regulation using the base year cost report.

(3) Per Diem Reimbursement Rate Computation. Each hospital shall receive a *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* per diem rate based on the following computation.

(A) The per diem rate shall be determined from the 1995 base year cost report in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Per Diem} = \frac{(\text{OC} * \text{TI})}{\text{MPD}} + \frac{\text{CMC}}{\text{MPDC}}$$

1. OC—The operating component is the hospital's total allowable cost (TAC) less CMC;

2. CMC—The capital and medical education component of the hospital's TAC;

3. MPD—Medicaid inpatient days;

4. MPDC—MPD—Medicaid patient days for capital costs as defined in paragraph (3)(A)3. with a minimum utilization of sixty percent (60%) as described in paragraph (5)(C)8.;

5. TI—Trend indices. The trend indices are applied to the OC of the per diem rate. The trend indices for SFY 1995 is used to adjust the OC to a common fiscal year end of June 30;

6. TAC—Allowable inpatient routine and special care unit expenses, ancillary expenses, and graduate medical education costs will be added to determine the hospital's total allowable cost (TAC);

7. The per diem shall not exceed the average *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* inpatient charge per diem as determined from the base year cost report and adjusted by the TI; and

8. The per diem shall be adjusted for rate increases granted in accordance with subsection (5)(F) for allowable costs not included in the base year cost report.

(B) Trend Indices (TI). Trend indices are determined based on the four (4)-quarter average DRI Index for DRI-Type Hospital Market Basket as published in *Health Care Costs* by DRI/McGraw-Hill for each State Fiscal Year (SFY) 1995 to 1998. Trend indices starting in SFY 1999 will be determined based on CPI Hospital indexed as published in *Health Care Costs* by DRI/McGraw-Hill for each State Fiscal Year (SFY).

1. The TI are—

- A. SFY 1994—4.6%
- B. SFY 1995—4.45%
- C. SFY 1996—4.575%
- D. SFY 1997—4.05%
- E. SFY 1998—3.1%
- F. SFY 1999—3.8%
- G. SFY 2000—4.0%
- H. SFY 2001—4.6%
- I. SFY 2002—4.8%
- J. SFY 2003—5.0%
- K. SFY 2004—6.2%
- L. SFY 2005—6.7%
- M. SFY 2006—5.7%
- N. SFY 2007—5.9%
- O. SFY 2008—5.5%
- P. SFY 2009—5.5%

2. The TI for SFY 1996 through SFY 1998 are applied as a full percentage to the OC of the per diem rate and for SFY 1999 the OC of the June 30, 1998 rate shall be trended by 1.2% and for SFY 2000 the OC of the June 30, 1999 rate shall be trended by 2.4%. The OC of the June 30, 2000 rate shall be trended by 1.95% for SFY 2001.

3. The per diem rate shall be reduced as necessary to avoid any negative Direct Medicaid Payments computed in accordance with subsection (15)(B).

(4) Per Diem Rate—New Hospitals.

(A) Facilities Reimbursed by Medicare on a Per Diem Basis. In the absence of adequate cost data, a new facility's *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* rate may be its most current Medicare rate on file for two (2) fiscal years following the facility's initial fiscal year as a new facility. The *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* rate for this third fiscal year will be the lower of the most current Medicare rate on file by review date or the facility's *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* rate for its second fiscal year indexed forward by the inflation index for the current fiscal year. The *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* rate for the facility's fourth fiscal year will be determined in accordance with sections (1)–(3) of this plan.

(B) Facilities Reimbursed by Medicare on a DRG Basis. In the absence of adequate cost data, a new facility's *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* rate may be ninety percent (90%) of the average-weighted, statewide per diem rate for two (2) fiscal years following the facility's initial fiscal year as a new facility. The *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* rate for the third fiscal year will be the facility's *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* rate for its second fiscal year indexed forward by the inflation index for the current fiscal year. The *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* rate for the facility's fourth fiscal year will be determined in accordance with sections (1)–(3) of this plan.

(C) In addition to the *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* rate determined by either subsection (4)(A) or (4)(B), the *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* per diem rate for a new hospital licensed after February 1, 2007, shall include an adjustment for the hospital's estimated Direct Medicaid *[a]Add-/o/On* payment per patient day, as determined in subsection (15)(C), until the facility's fourth fiscal year. The *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* rate for the facility's fourth fiscal year will be determined in accordance with sections (1)–(3) of this plan. The facility's Direct Medicaid *[a]Add-/o/On* adjustment will then no longer be included in the per diem rate but shall be calculated as a separate *[a]Add-/o/On* payment, as set forth in section (15).

(5) Administrative Actions.

(A) Cost Reports.

1. Each hospital participating in the *[Missouri Medical Assistance P/MO HealthNet]* program shall submit a cost report in the manner prescribed by the state *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* agency. The cost report shall be submitted within five (5) calendar months after the close of the reporting period. The period of a cost report is defined in 42 CFR 413.24(f). A single extension, not to exceed thirty (30) days, may be granted upon the request of the hospital and the approval of the *[Missouri Division of Medical Services/ MO HealthNet Division]* when the provider's operation is significantly affected due to extraordinary circumstances over which the provider had no control such as fire or flood. The request must be in writing and postmarked prior to the first day of the sixth month following the hospital's fiscal year end.

2. The change of control, ownership, or termination of or by a hospital of participation in the program requires that the hospital submit a cost report for the period ending with the date of change of control, ownership, or termination within five (5) calendar months after the close of the reporting period. No extensions in the submitting of cost reports shall be allowed when a termination of participation has occurred.

A. If a provider notifies, in writing, the director of the Institutional Reimbursement Unit of the division prior to the change of control, ownership, or termination of participation in the *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* program, the division will withhold all remaining payments from the selling provider until the cost report is filed. Upon receipt of a cost report prepared in accordance with this regulation, any payment that was withheld will be released to the selling provider.

B. If the director of the Institutional Reimbursement Unit does not receive, in writing, notification of a change of control or ownership upon learning of a change of control or ownership, fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) of the next available *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet payment, after learning of the change of control or ownership, will be withheld from the provider identified in the current *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet participation agreement until a cost report is filed. If the *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet payment is less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), the entire payment will be withheld. Once the cost report prepared in accordance with this regulation is received, the payment will be released to the provider identified in the current *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet participation agreement.

C. The *[Division of Medical Services]* MO HealthNet Division may, at its discretion, delay the withholding of funds specified in subparagraphs (5)(A)2.A. and B. until the cost report is due based on assurances satisfactory to the division that the cost report will be timely filed. A request jointly submitted by the buying and selling provider may provide adequate assurances. The buying provider must accept responsibility for ensuring timely filing of the cost report and authorize the division to immediately withhold fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) if the cost report is not timely filed.

3. All cost reports shall be submitted and certified by an officer or administrator of the provider. Failure to file a cost report, within the period prescribed in this subsection, may result in the impositions of sanctions as described in 13 CSR 70-3.030.

4. Amended cost reports or other supplemental. The division will notify hospital by letter when the desk review of its cost report is completed. Since[,] this data may be used in the calculation of per diem rates, direct payments, trended costs, or uninsured add-on payments, the hospital shall review the desk review data and the schedule of key data elements and submit amended or corrected data to the division within fifteen (15) days. Data received after the fifteen (15)-day deadline will not be considered by the division for per diem rates, direct payments, trended costs, or uninsured payments unless the hospital requests in writing and receives an extension to file additional information prior to the end of the fifteen (15)-day deadline.

(B) Records.

1. All hospitals are required to maintain financial and statistical records in accordance with 42 CFR 413.20. For purposes of this plan, statistical and financial records shall include beneficiaries' medical records and patient claim logs separated for inpatient and outpatient services billed to and paid for by *[Missouri Medicaid]* MO HealthNet (excluding cross-over claims) respectively. Separate logs for inpatient and outpatient services should be maintained for *[Medicaid recipients]* MO HealthNet participants covered by managed care *[(MC +)]*. All records must be available upon request to representatives, employees, or contractors of the *[Missouri Medical Assistance P]* MO HealthNet program, Missouri Department of Social Services, General Accounting Office (GAO), or the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The content and organization of the inpatient and outpatient logs shall include the following:

A. A separate *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet log for each fiscal year must be maintained by either date of service or date of payment by *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet for claims and all adjustments of those claims for services provided in the fiscal period. Lengths of stay covering two (2) fiscal periods should be recorded by date of admission. The information from the *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet log should be used to complete the Medicaid worksheet in the hospital's cost report;

B. Data required to be recorded in logs for each claim include:

(I) *[Recipient]* Participant name and *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet number;

(II) Dates of service;

(III) If inpatient claim, number of days paid for by *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet, classified by adults and peds, each sub-providers, newborn or specific type of intensive care;

(IV) Charges for paid inpatient days and inpatient ancillary charges for paid days classified by cost center as reported in the cost report or allowed outpatient services, classified by cost center as reported on cost report;

(V) Noncovered charges combined under a separate heading;

(VI) Total charges;

(VII) Any partial payment made by third-party payers (claims paid equal to or in excess of *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet payment rates by third-party payers shall not be included in the log);

(VIII) *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet payment received or the adjustment taken; and

(IX) Date of remittance advice upon which paid claim or adjustment appeared;

C. A year-to-date total must appear at the bottom of each log page or after each applicable group total, or a summation page of all subtotals for the fiscal year activity must be included with the log; and

D. Not to be included in the outpatient log are claims or line item outpatient charges denied by *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet or claims or charges paid from an established *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet fee schedule. This would include payments for hospital-based physicians and certified registered nurse anesthetists billed by the hospital on a professional services claim, payments for certain specified clinical diagnostic laboratory services, or payments for services provided by the hospital through enrollment as a *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet provider-type other than hospital outpatient.

2. Records of related organizations, as defined by 42 CFR 413.17, must be available upon demand to those individuals or organizations as listed in paragraph (5)(B)1. of this rule.

3. The *[Missouri Division of Medical Services]* MO HealthNet Division shall retain all uniform cost reports submitted for a period of at least three (3) years following the date of submission of the reports and will maintain those reports pursuant to the record keeping requirements of 42 CFR 413.20. If an audit by, or on behalf of, the state or federal government has begun but is not completed at the end of the three (3)-year period, or if audit findings have not been resolved at the end of the three (3)-year period, the reports shall be retained until resolution of the audit findings.

4. The *[Missouri Division of Medical Services]* MO HealthNet Division shall maintain any responses received on this plan, subsequent changes to this plan and rates for a period of three (3) years from the date of receipt.

(C) New, Expanded, or Terminated Services. A hospital, at times, may offer to the public new or expanded inpatient services which may require Certificate of Need (CON) approval, or may permanently terminate a service.

1. A state hospital, i.e., one owned or operated by the board of curators as provided for in Chapter 172, RSMo, or one owned or operated by the Department of Mental Health, may offer new or expanded inpatient services to the public provided it receives legislative appropriations for the project. A state hospital may submit a request for inpatient rate reconsideration if the project meets or exceeds a cost threshold of one (1) million dollars for capital expenditures or one (1) million dollars for major medical equipment expenditures as described in 19 CSR 60-50.300.

2. Nonstate hospitals may also offer new or expanded inpatient services to the public, and incur costs associated with the additions or expansions which may qualify for inpatient rate reconsideration requests. Such projects may require a Certificate of Need (CON). Rate reconsideration requests for projects requiring CON review must include a copy of the CON program approval. Nonstate hospitals may request inpatient rate reconsiderations for projects not requiring review by the CON program, provided each project meets

or exceeds a cost threshold of one (1) million dollars for capital expenditures as described in 19 CSR 60-50.300.

3. A hospital (state or nonstate) will have six (6) months after the new or expanded service project is completed and the service is offered to the public to submit a request for inpatient rate reconsideration, along with a budget of the project's costs. The rate reconsideration request and budget will be subject to desk review and audit. Upon completion of the desk review and audit, the hospital's inpatient reimbursement rates may be adjusted, if indicated. Failure to submit a request for rate reconsideration and project budget within the six (6)-month period shall disqualify the hospital from receiving a rate increase prior to recognizing the increase through the trended cost calculation (direct Medicaid payments). Failure to submit a request shall not prohibit the division from reducing the rate in the case of a terminated service.

4. Failure to submit a budget concerning terminated services may result in the imposition of sanctions as described in 13 CSR 70-3.030.

5. The effective date for any increase granted under this subsection shall be no earlier than the first day of the month following the *[Division of Medical Services]' MO HealthNet Division's* final determination on rate reconsideration.

6. Any inpatient rate reconsideration request for new, expanded, or terminated services must be submitted in writing to the *[Division of Medical Services]' MO HealthNet Division* and must specifically and clearly identify the issue and total dollar amount involved. The total dollar amount must be supported by generally accepted accounting principles. The hospital shall demonstrate the adjustment is necessary, proper, and consistent with efficient and economical delivery of covered patient care services. The hospital will be notified in writing of the agency's decision within sixty (60) days of receipt of the hospital's written request or within sixty (60) days of receipt of any additional documentation or clarification which may be required, whichever is later. Failure to submit requested information within the sixty (60)-day period shall be grounds for denial of the request. If the state does not respond within the sixty (60)-day period, the request shall be deemed denied.

7. Rate adjustments due to new or expanded services will be determined as total allowable project cost (i.e., the sum of annual depreciation, annualized interest expense, and annual additional operating costs) multiplied by the ratio of total inpatient costs (less SNF and swing bed cost) to total hospital cost as submitted on the most recent cost report filed with the agency as of the review date divided by total acute care patient days including all special care units and nursery, but excluding swing bed days.

8. Total acute care patient days (excluding nursery and swing bed days) must be at least sixty percent (60%) of total possible bed days. Total possible bed days will be determined using the number of licensed beds times three hundred sixty-five (365) days. If the days, including neonatal units, are less than sixty percent (60%), the sixty percent (60%) number plus newborn days will be used to determine the rate increase. This computation will apply to capital costs only.

9. Major medical equipment costs included in rate reconsideration requests shall not include costs to replace current major medical equipment if the replacement does not result in new or expanded inpatient services. The replacement of inoperative or obsolete major medical equipment, by itself, does not qualify for rate reconsideration, even if the new equipment costs at least one (1) million dollars.

(D) Audits.

1. A comprehensive hospital audit program shall be established in cooperation with the Missouri Medicare fiscal intermediary. Under the terms of the Common Audit Agreement, the Medicare intermediary shall perform the following:

A. Desk review all hospital cost reports;

B. Determine the scope and format for on-site audits;

C. Perform field audits when indicated in accordance with Title XIX principles; and

D. Submit to the state agency the final Title XVIII cost report with respect to each provider.

2. The state agency shall review audited **Medicare/Medicaid/-Medicare/** cost reports for each hospital's fiscal year in accordance with 13 CSR 70-15.040.

(E) Adjustments to Rates. The prospectively determined individual hospital's reimbursement rate may be adjusted only under the following circumstances:

1. When information contained in the cost report is found to be intentionally misrepresented. The adjustment shall be made retroactive to the date of the original rate. This adjustment shall not preclude the *[Medicaid agency] MO HealthNet Division* from imposing any sanctions authorized by any statute or rule;

2. When rate reconsideration is granted in accordance with subsection (5)(F);

3. When the Medicare per diem rate is changed by the servicing fiscal intermediary based on a new audit finding for the base year. This adjustment may be applied and effective no earlier than the first day of the month following notification by the *[Division of Medical Services]' MO HealthNet Division*; or

4. When a hospital documents to the *[Division of Medical Services]' MO HealthNet Division* a change in its status from non-profit to proprietary, or from proprietary to nonprofit, its direct Medicaid payments for the state fiscal year will be adjusted to take into account any change in its *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* inpatient allowable costs due to the change in its property taxes. The *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* share of the change in property taxes will be calculated for the state fiscal year in which the change is reported by multiplying the increase or decrease in property taxes applicable to the current state fiscal year by the ratio of allowable *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* inpatient hospital costs to total costs of the facility. (For example, if the property taxes are assessed starting January 1 for the calendar year, then one-half (1/2) of the calendar year property taxes will be used to calculate the additional inpatient direct Medicaid payments for the period of January 1 to June 30.)

(F) Rate Reconsideration.

1. Rate reconsideration may be requested under this subsection for changes in allowable cost which occur subsequent to the base period described in subsection (3)(A). The effective date for any increase granted under this subsection shall be no earlier than the first day of the month following the *[Division of Medical Services]' MO HealthNet Division's* final determination on rate reconsideration.

2. The following may be subject to review under procedures established by the *[Medicaid agency] MO HealthNet Division*:

A. New, expanded, or terminated services as detailed in subsection (5)(C);

B. When the hospital experiences extraordinary circumstances which may include, but are not limited to, an act of God, war, or civil disturbance; and

C. Per diem rate adjustments for critical access hospitals.

(I) Critical access hospitals meeting either the federal definition or the Missouri expanded definition may request per diem rate adjustments in accordance with this subsection. The per diem rate increase will result in a corresponding reduction in the **direct** Medicaid *[direct]* payment.

(a) Hospitals which meet the federal definition as a critical access hospital will have a per diem rate equal to one hundred percent (100%) of their estimated *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* cost per day as determined in section (15).

(b) Hospitals which meet the Missouri expanded definition as a critical access hospital will have a per diem rate equal to seventy-five percent (75%) of their estimated *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* cost per day as determined in section (15). This includes new hospitals meeting the Missouri expanded definition as a critical access hospital whose interim *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* rate was calculated in accordance with subsection (15)(C).

3. The following will not be subject to review under these procedures:

- A. The use of Medicare standards and reimbursement principles;
- B. The method for determining the trend factor;
- C. The use of all-inclusive prospective reimbursement rates; and

D. Increased costs for the successor owner, management, or leaseholder that result from changes in ownership, management, control, operation, or leasehold interests by whatever form for any hospital previously certified at any time for participation in the *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* program, except a review may be conducted when a hospital changes from nonprofit to proprietary or vice versa to recognize the change in its property taxes, see paragraph (5)(E)4.

4. As a condition of review, the *[Missouri Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division* may require the hospital to submit to a comprehensive operational review. The review will be made at the discretion of the *[state Medicaid agency] MO HealthNet Division* and may be performed by it or its designee. The findings from any such review may be used to recalculate allowable costs for the hospital.

5. The request for an adjustment must be submitted in writing to the *[Missouri Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division* and must specifically and clearly identify the issue and the total dollar amount involved. The total dollar amount must be supported by generally acceptable accounting principles. The hospital shall demonstrate the adjustment is necessary, proper, and consistent with efficient and economical delivery of covered patient care services. The hospital will be notified in writing of the agency's decision within sixty (60) days of receipt of the hospital's written request or within sixty (60) days of receipt of any additional documentation or clarification which may be required, whichever is later. Failure to submit requested information within the sixty (60)-day period shall be grounds for denial of the request. If the state does not respond within the sixty (60)-day period, the request shall be deemed denied.

(6) Disproportionate Share.

(A) Inpatient hospital providers may qualify as a Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) based on the following criteria. Hospitals shall qualify as Disproportionate Share Hospitals for a period of only one (1) state fiscal year and must requalify at the beginning of each state fiscal year to continue their disproportionate share classification—

1. If the facility offered nonemergency obstetric services as of December 21, 1987, there must be at least two (2) obstetricians with staff privileges at the hospital who have agreed to provide obstetric services to individuals entitled to these services under the Missouri Medicaid plan. In the case of a hospital located in a rural area (area outside of a metropolitan statistical area, as defined by the federal Executive Office of Management and Budget), the term obstetrician includes any physician with staff privileges at the hospital to perform nonemergency obstetric procedures. This section does not apply to hospitals either with inpatients predominantly under eighteen (18) years of age or which did not offer nonemergency obstetric services as of December 21, 1987;

2. As determined from the fourth prior year desk-reviewed cost report, the facility must have either—

A. A Medicaid inpatient utilization rate (MIUR) at least one (1) standard deviation above the state's mean MIUR for all Missouri hospitals. The MIUR will be expressed as the ratio of total Medicaid days (TMD) provided under a state plan divided by the provider's total number of inpatient days (TNID). The state's mean MIUR will be expressed as the ratio of the sum of the total number of the Medicaid days for all Missouri hospitals divided by the sum of the total patient days for the same Missouri hospitals. Data for hospitals no longer participating in the program will be excluded;

$$\text{MIUR} = \frac{\text{TMD}}{\text{TNID}}$$

or

B. A low-income utilization rate (LIUR) in excess of twenty-five percent (25%). The LIUR shall be the sum (expressed as a percentage) of the fractions, calculated as follows:

(I) Total *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* patient revenues (TMPR) paid to the hospital for patient services under a state plan plus the amount of the cash subsidies (CS) directly received from state and local governments, divided by the total net revenues (TNR) (charges, minus contractual allowances, discounts, and the like) for patient services plus the CS; and

(II) The total amount of the hospital's charges for patient services attributable to charity care (CC) (care provided to individuals who have no source of payment, third-party, or personal resources) less CS directly received from state and local governments in the same period, divided by the total amount of the hospital's charges (THC) for patient services. The total patient charges attributed to CC shall not include any contractual allowances and discounts other than for indigent patients not eligible for *[medical assistance] MO HealthNet* under a state plan;

$$\text{LIUR} = \frac{\text{TMPR} + \text{CS}}{\text{TNR} + \text{CS}} + \frac{\text{CC} - \text{CS}}{\text{THC}}$$

3. As determined from the fourth prior year desk-reviewed cost report, the hospital—

A. Has an unsponsored care ratio of at least ten percent (10%). The unsponsored care ratio is determined as the sum of bad debts and CC divided by TNR and also meets either of the criteria in paragraph (6)(A)2.; or

B. Ranks in the top fifteen (15) in the number of Medicaid inpatient days provided by that hospital compared to Medicaid patient days provided by all hospitals, and the hospitals also have a Medicaid nursery utilization ratio greater than thirty-five percent (35%) as computed by dividing Title XIX nursery and neonatal days by total nursery and neonatal days; or

C. Operated a neonatal intensive care unit with a ratio of Missouri Medicaid neonatal patient days to Missouri Medicaid total patient days in excess of nine percent (9%) reported or verified by the division from the fourth prior year cost report;

4. As determined from the fourth prior year desk-reviewed cost report—

A. The acute care hospital has an unsponsored care ratio of at least sixty-five percent (65%) and is licensed for less than fifty (50) inpatient beds; or

B. The acute care hospital has an unsponsored care ratio of at least sixty-five percent (65%) and is licensed for fifty (50) inpatient beds or more and has an occupancy rate of more than forty percent (40%); or

C. The hospital is owned or operated by the Board of Curators as defined in Chapter 172, RSMo and the Missouri Rehabilitation Center created by Chapter 199, RSMo or their successors; or

D. The hospital is a public hospital operated by the Department of Mental Health primarily for the care and treatment of mental disorders; and

5. As determined from the fourth prior year desk-reviewed cost report, hospitals which annually provide more than five thousand (5,000) Title XIX days of care and whose Title XIX nursery days represent more than fifty percent (50%) of the hospital's total nursery days.

(C) A hospital not meeting the requirements in subsection (6)(A), but has a Medicaid inpatient utilization percentage of at least one percent (1%) for Medicaid-eligible *[recipients] participants* may at the option of the state be deemed a Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH). These facilities may receive only the DSH payments identified in section (18).

(F) Hospital-specific DSH cap. Unless otherwise permitted by federal law, disproportionate share payments shall not exceed one

hundred percent (100%) of the unreimbursed cost for *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** and the cost of the uninsured. The hospital-specific DSH cap shall be computed by combining the estimated unreimbursed *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** costs for each hospital, as calculated in section (15), with the hospital's corresponding estimated uninsured costs, as determined in section (18). If the sum of disproportionate share payments exceeds the estimated hospital-specific DSH cap, the difference shall be deducted in order as necessary from safety net payments, other disproportionate share lump sum payments, direct Medicaid payments, and if necessary, as a reduced per diem. All DSH payments in the aggregate shall not exceed the federal DSH allotment within a state fiscal period.

(7) Outlier Adjustment for Children Under the Age of Six (6).

(A) Effective for admissions beginning on or after July 1, 1991, outlier adjustments for medically necessary inpatient services involving exceptionally high cost or exceptionally long lengths of stay for *[Missouri Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet**-eligible children under the age of six (6) will be made to hospitals meeting the disproportionate share requirements in subsection (6)(A) and, for *[Missouri Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet**-eligible infants under the age of one (1), will be made to any other *[Missouri Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** hospital except for specialty pediatric hospitals.

1. The following criteria must be met for the services to be eligible for outlier review:

A. The patient must be a *[Missouri Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet**-eligible infant under the age of one (1) year, or for disproportionate share hospitals a *[Missouri Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet**-eligible child under the age of six (6) years, for all dates of service presented for review;

B. Hospitals requesting outlier review for children one (1) year of age to children under six (6) years of age[,] must have qualified for disproportionate share status under section (6) of this plan for the state fiscal year corresponding with the fiscal year end of the cost report referred to in paragraph (7)(A)5.; and

C. One (1) of the following conditions must be satisfied:

(I) The total reimbursable charges for dates of service as described in paragraph (7)(A)3. must be at least one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the sum of total third-party liabilities and *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** inpatient claim payments for that claim; or

(II) The dates of service must exceed sixty (60) days and less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the total service days was reimbursed by *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet**.

2. Claims for all dates of service eligible for outlier review must—

A. Have been submitted to the *[Division of Medical Services]* **MO HealthNet Division** fiscal agent or the *[MC+]* **managed care** health plan in their entirety for routine claims processing, and claim payment must have been made before the claims are submitted to the division for outlier review; and

B. Be submitted for outlier review with all documentation as required by the *[Division of Medical Services]* **MO HealthNet Division** no later than ninety (90) days from the last payment made by the fiscal agent or the *[MC+]* **managed care** health plan through the normal claims processing system for those dates of service.

3. Information for outlier reimbursement processing will be determined from claim charges and *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** payment data, submitted to the *[Division of Medical Services]* **MO HealthNet Division** fiscal agent or *[MC+]* **managed care** health plan, by the hospital through normal claim submission. If the claim information is determined to be incomplete as submitted, the hospital may be asked to provide claim data directly to the *[Division of Medical Services]* **MO HealthNet Division** for outlier review.

4. The claims may be reviewed for—

A. Medical necessity at an inpatient hospital level-of-care;

B. Appropriateness of services provided in connection with the diagnosis;

C. Charges that are not permissible per the *[Division of Medical Services]* **MO HealthNet Division**; policies established in the institutional manual and hospital bulletins; and

D. If the hospital is asked to provide claim information, the hospital will need to provide an affidavit vouching to the accuracy of final payments by the *[Division of Medical Services, MC+]* **MO HealthNet Division**, **managed care** health plans and other third-party payors. The calculation of outlier payments will be based on the standard hospital payment defined in subparagraph (7)(A)6.B.

5. After the review, reimbursable costs for each claim will be determined using the following data from the most recent Medicaid hospital cost report filed by June 1 of each year:

A. Average routine (room and board) costs for the general and special care units for all days of the stay eligible per the outlier review;

B. Ancillary cost-to-charge ratios applied to claim ancillary charges determined eligible for reimbursement per the outlier review; and

C. No cost will be calculated for items such as malpractice insurance premiums, interns and residents, professional services, or return on equity.

6. Each state fiscal year, outlier adjustment payments for each hospital will be made for all claims submitted before March 1 of the preceding state fiscal year which satisfy all conditions in paragraphs (7)(A)1.–4. The payments will be determined for each hospital as follows:

A. Sum all reimbursable costs per paragraph (7)(A)5. for all applicable outlier claims to equal total reimbursable costs;

B. For those claims, subtract third-party payments and *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** payments, which includes both per diem payments and Direct Medicaid Add-On payments, from total reimbursable costs to equal excess cost; and

C. Multiply excess costs by fifty percent (50%).

(B) Effective for admissions beginning on or after July 1, 1997, outlier adjustments shall also be made for *[Missouri Medicaid recipients]* **MO HealthNet participants** enrolled in *[MC+]* **managed care**. All criteria listed under subsection (7)(A) applies to *[MC+]* **managed care** outlier submissions.

(8) Payment Assurance.

(B) Where third-party payment is involved, *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** will be the payor of last resort with the exception of state programs, such as Vocational Rehabilitation and the Missouri Crippled Children's Service. Procedures for remitting third-party payments are provided in the *[Missouri Medical Assistance P]* **MO HealthNet** program provider manuals.

(C) Regardless of changes of ownership, management, control, operation, or leasehold interests by whatever form for any hospital previously certified for participation in the *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** program, the department will continue to make all the Title XIX payments directly to the entity with the hospital's current provider number and hold the entity with the current provider number responsible for all *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** liabilities.

(10) Payment in Full. Participation in the program shall be limited to hospitals who accept as payment in full for covered services rendered to *[Medicaid recipients]* **MO HealthNet participants** the amount paid in accordance with the rules implementing the Hospital Reimbursement Program.

(12) Inappropriate Placements.

(A) The hospital per diem rate as determined under this plan and in effect on October 1, 1981, shall not apply to any *[recipient]* **participant** who is receiving inpatient hospital care when s/he is only in need of nursing home care.

1. If a hospital has an established intermediate care facility/skilled nursing facility (ICF/SNF) or SNF-only *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** rate for providing nursing home services in a distinct

part setting, reimbursement for nursing home services provided in the inpatient hospital setting shall be made at the hospital's ICF/SNF or SNF-only rate.

2. No *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** payments will be made on behalf of any *[recipient]* **participant** who is receiving inpatient hospital care and is not in need of either inpatient or nursing home care.

(13) Trauma Add-On Payments. Hospitals that meet the following will receive additional Add-On payments.

(B) Trauma Add-On Computation. Each state fiscal year, to be effective July 1 of that state fiscal year, the division will calculate the trauma *[a]* **Add-On** payments for qualifying hospitals as follows:

1. The case mix index for *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** patients will be determined for the fourth prior year and the second prior year based on a federal fiscal year;

2. The percentage change will be calculated for the same time period above and then inflated by 1.5 to estimate a percentage change from the fourth prior year through the prior year (for example, for SFY 2004, the percentage change for 2000 to 2002 will be inflated to estimate a percentage change from 2000 through 2003);

3. If this estimated percentage change is positive, the hospital's current year trended cost per day prior to the assessment per day and utilization adjustment per day (estimated for SFY 2004 using the 2000 cost report with some exceptions) will be inflated by the same amount to arrive at the current year case mix adjusted cost per day;

4. The difference between the current year case mix adjusted cost per day and the current year trended cost per day prior to the assessment per day and utilization adjustment per day will be multiplied by the current year's estimated *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** days, resulting in the trauma Add-On payment to the hospital;

5. For subsequent years, the calculation of the trauma Add-On payment will be determined in the same manner. However, payments will be the greater of the current year calculated payment or the previous year's payment.

(14) Trauma Outlier Payments.

(A) Outlier adjustments for trauma inpatient services involving exceptionally high cost for *[Missouri Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet-eligible [recipients]** **participants** will be made to hospitals meeting the criteria established below:

1. Hospital must be a Level I, II, or III trauma center as designated by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services.

(B) Claims for all dates of service eligible for trauma outlier review must—

1. Have been submitted to the *[Division of Medical Services]* **MO HealthNet Division** fiscal agent in their entirety for routine claims processing, and claim payment must have been made before the claims are submitted to the division for outlier review; and

2. Be submitted for outlier review with all documentation as required by the *[Division of Medical Services]* **MO HealthNet Division** by the end of the third quarter of the current state fiscal year. The prior year's information will be used to determine the trauma outlier payment for the current state fiscal year (for example, SFY 2004 trauma outlier payments will be based on 2003 data). Out-of-state trauma claims may be included.

3. The claims for trauma inpatient services may include services provided to *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet-eligible** individuals from states outside Missouri when provided in a Missouri hospital.

4. The claim must be an inpatient that originated in the hospital emergency room or a direct admit from another hospital's emergency room and must have a diagnosis code that is included in the table of valid trauma diagnosis codes listed below:

800.00–959.99
980.00–981.99
983.00–983.99
986.00–987.99
989.00–989.99
991.00–994.99
E800.00–E999.99

5. The payment for the claim as determined by the product of days of service times the appropriate year cost per day (including the assessment per day and the utilization adjustment per day) must be less than the cost of the claim as determined by product of charges times the hospital specific cost-to-charge ratio.

(D) The *[Division of Medical Services]* **MO HealthNet Division** will require a signed affidavit attesting to the validity of the data.

(15) Direct Medicaid Payments.

(A) Direct Medicaid Payments. Direct Medicaid payments will be made to hospitals for the following allowable *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** costs not included in the per diem rate as calculated in section (3):

1. The increased *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** costs resulting from the FRA assessment becoming an allowable cost on January 1, 1999;

2. The unreimbursed *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** costs applicable to the trend factor which is not included in the per diem rate;

3. The unreimbursed *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** costs for capital and medical education not included in the trended per diem cost as a result of the application of the sixty percent (60%) minimum utilization adjustment in paragraph (3)(A)4.;

4. The increased cost per day resulting from the utilization adjustment. The increased cost per day results from lower utilization of inpatient hospital services by *[Medicaid recipients]* **MO HealthNet participants** now covered by a *[n MC +]* **managed care** health plan;

5. The poison control adjustment shall be determined for hospitals which operated a poison control center during the base year and which continues to operate a poison control center in a *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** managed care region; and

6. The increased cost resulting from including out-of-state *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** days in total projected *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** days.

(B) Direct Medicaid payment will be computed as follows:

1. The *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** share of the **inpatient** FRA assessment will be calculated by dividing the hospital's **inpatient** Medicaid patient days by the total **inpatient** hospital's patient days from the hospital's base cost report to arrive at the **inpatient** Medicaid utilization percentage. This percentage is then multiplied by the **inpatient** FRA assessment for the current SFY to arrive at the increased allowable *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** costs; for the **inpatient** FRA assessment. The **MO HealthNet** share of the **outpatient** FRA assessment will be calculated by dividing the hospital's **outpatient** **MO HealthNet** charges by the total **outpatient** hospital charges from the base cost report to arrive at the **MO HealthNet** utilization percentage. This percentage is then multiplied by the **outpatient** FRA assessment for the current SFY to arrive at the increased allowable **MO HealthNet** costs for the **outpatient** FRA assessment.

2. The unreimbursed *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** costs are determined by subtracting the hospital's per diem rate from its trended per diem costs. The difference is multiplied by the estimated *[Medicaid]* **MO HealthNet** patient days for the current SFY, plus the out-of-state days from the fourth prior year cost report trended to the current SFY. The estimated **MO HealthNet** patient days

for the current SFY shall be the better of the sum of the Fee-for-Service (FFS) days plus managed care days or the days used in the prior SFY's Direct Medicaid payment calculation. The FFS days are determined from a regression analysis of the hospital's FFS days from February 1999 through December of the second prior SFY. The managed care days are based on the FFS days determined from the regression analysis, as follows: The FFS days are factored up by the percentage of FFS days to the total of FFS days plus managed care days from the hospital's fourth prior year cost report. The difference between the FFS days and the FFS days factored up by the FFS days' percentage are the managed care days.

A. The trended cost per day is calculated by trending the base year costs per day by the trend indices listed in paragraph (3)(B)1., using the rate calculation in subsection (3)(A). In addition to the trend indices applied to inflate base period costs to the current fiscal year, base year costs will be further adjusted by a Missouri Specific Trend. The Missouri Specific Trend will be used to address the fact that costs for Missouri inpatient care of *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* residents have historically exceeded the compounded inflation rates estimated using national hospital indices for a significant number of hospitals. The Missouri Specific Trend will be applied at one and one-half percent (1.5%) per year to the hospital's base year. For example, hospitals with a 1998 base year will receive an additional six percent (6%) trend, and hospitals with a 1999 base year will receive an additional four and one-half percent (4.5%) trend.

B. For hospitals that meet the requirements in paragraphs (6)(A)1., (6)(A)2., and (6)(A)4. of this rule (safety net hospitals), the base year cost report may be from the third prior year, the fourth prior year, or the fifth prior year. For hospitals that meet the requirements in paragraphs (6)(A)1. and (6)(A)3. of this rule (first tier Disproportionate Share Hospitals), the base year operating costs may be the third or fourth prior year cost report. The *[Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division* shall exercise its sole discretion as to which report is most representative of costs. For all other hospitals, the base year operating costs are based on the fourth prior year cost report. For any hospital that has both a twelve (12)-month cost report and a partial year cost report, its base period cost report for that year will be the twelve (12)-month cost report.

C. The trended cost per day does not include the costs associated with the FRA assessment, the application of minimum utilization, the utilization adjustment, and the poison control costs computed in paragraphs (15)(B)1., 3., 4., and 5.;

3. The minimum utilization costs for capital and medical education is calculated by determining the difference in the hospital's cost per day when applying the minimum utilization as identified in paragraph (5)(C)4., and without applying the minimum utilization. The difference in the cost per day is multiplied by the estimated *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* patient days for the SFY;

4. The utilization adjustment cost is determined by estimating the number of *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* inpatient days the hospital will not provide as a result of the *[MC + Health Plans] managed care health plans* limiting inpatient hospital services. These days are multiplied by the hospital's cost per day to determine the total cost associated with these days. This cost is divided by the remaining total patient days from its base period cost report to arrive at the increased cost per day. This increased cost per day is multiplied by the estimated *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* days for the current SFY to arrive at the *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* utilization adjustment;

5. The poison control cost shall reimburse the hospital for the prorated *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* managed care cost. It will be calculated by multiplying the estimated *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* share of the poison control costs by the percentage of *[MC + recipients] managed care participants* to total *[Medicaid recipients] MO HealthNet participants*; and

6. Prior to July 1, 2006, the costs for including out-of-state Medicaid days is calculated by subtracting the hospital's per diem

rate from its trended per diem cost and multiplying this difference by the out-of-state Medicaid days from the base year cost report. Effective July 1, 2006, the costs for including out-of-state Medicaid days is calculated by subtracting the hospital's per diem rate from its trended per diem cost and multiplying this difference by the out-of-state Medicaid days as determined from the regression analysis performed using the out-of-state days from the fourth, fifth, and sixth prior year cost reports.

(C) For new hospitals that do not have a base cost report, Direct Medicaid payments shall be estimated as follows:

1. Hospitals receiving Direct Medicaid payments shall be divided into quartiles based on total beds;

2. Direct Medicaid payments shall be individually summed by quartile and then divided by the total beds in the quartile to yield an average Direct Medicaid payment per bed;

3. The number of beds for the new hospital without the base cost report shall be multiplied by the average Direct Medicaid payment per bed to determine the hospital's estimated Direct Medicaid payment for the current state fiscal year; and

4. For a new hospital licensed after February 1, 2007, estimated total Direct Medicaid payments for the current state fiscal year shall be divided by the estimated *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* patient days for the new hospital's quartile to obtain the estimated Direct Medicaid adjustment per patient day. This adjustment per day shall be added to the new hospital's *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* rate as determined in section (4), so that the hospital's Direct Medicaid payment per day is included in its per diem rate, rather than as a separate add-on payment. When the hospital's per diem rate is determined from its fourth prior year cost report in accordance with sections (1)–(3), the facility's Direct Medicaid payment will be calculated in accordance with subsection (15)(B) and reimbursed as an add-on payment rather than as part of the per diem rate. If the hospital is defined as a critical access hospital, its *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* per diem rate and Direct Medicaid payment will be determined in accordance with subsection (5)(F).

(17) OBRA 93 Limitation. In accordance with OBRA 93, disproportionate share payments shall not exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the unreimbursed cost for *[Medicaid] MO HealthNet* and the cost of the uninsured, unless otherwise permitted by federal law.

(18) In accordance with state and federal laws regarding reimbursement of unreimbursed costs and the costs of services provided to uninsured patients, reimbursement for each State Fiscal Year (SFY) (July 1–June 30) shall be determined as follows:

(D) Uninsured */a/Add-o/Ons* effective July 1, 2005 for all facilities except DMH safety net facilities as defined in subparagraph (6)(A)4.D. DMH safety net facilities will continue to be calculated in accordance with subsection (18)(B). The */u/Uninsured /a/Add-o/On* for all facilities except DMH safety net facilities will be based on the following:

1. Determination of the cost of the uninsured:

A. Allocate the uninsured population as determined from the Current Population Survey (CPS), Annual Social and Economic Supplement (Table HI05) as published by the U.S. Census Bureau, to the same categories of age (COA) and age groups as the managed care rate cells as determined by the Managed Care Unit of the *[Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division*;

B. Determine the total annual projected cost of the uninsured population by multiplying the number of uninsured for each rate cell by the average contract per member per month (PMPM) for that individual managed care rate cell multiplied by twelve (12); and

C. Determine the amount of the total annual projected cost of the uninsured population that is related to hospital services by multiplying the total annual projected cost of the uninsured population as calculated in paragraph (18)(D)1. above by the percentage of the contract PMPM for each individual rate cell that is related to hospital

services. This would be the maximum amount of uninsured add-on payments that could be made to hospitals. This amount is also subject to the DSH cap;

2. Proration to individual hospitals of the cost of the uninsured calculated in paragraph (18)(D)1.

A. Determine each individual hospital's *[u]*Uninsured *[a]*Add-*[o]*On payment by dividing the individual hospital's uninsured cost as determined from the three (3)-year average of the fourth, fifth, and sixth prior base-year cost reports by the total uninsured cost for all hospitals as determined from the three (3)-year average of the fourth, fifth, and sixth prior base-year cost reports, multiplied by either the total annual projected cost of the uninsured population that is related to hospital services or the DSH cap for hospitals whichever is lower. The DSH cap for hospitals is the federal DSH allotment less the IMD allotment less other DSH expenditures.

B. Hospitals which qualify as safety net hospitals under subparagraphs (6)(A)4.B. and C. shall receive payment of one hundred percent (100%) of their proration. The percentage of proration payable to non-safety net hospitals shall be eighty-nine percent (89%), unless the hospital contributes through a plan that is approved by the director of the Department of Health and Senior Services to support the state's poison control center and the Primary Care Resource Initiative for Missouri (PRIMO), in which case they shall receive ninety percent (90%);

3. For new hospitals that do not have a base cost report, uninsured payments shall be estimated as follows:

A. Hospitals receiving uninsured payments shall be divided into quartiles based on total beds;

B. Uninsured payments shall be individually summed by quartile and then divided by the total beds in the quartile to yield an average uninsured payment per bed; and

C. The numbers of beds for the new hospital without the base cost report shall be multiplied by the average uninsured payment per bed.

(E) Uninsured *[a]*Add-*[o]*On payments will coincide with the semimonthly claim payment schedule established by the *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet fiscal agent. Each hospital's semimonthly add-on payment shall be the hospital's total cost of the uninsured as determined in subsection (18)(D), divided by the number of semimonthly pay dates available to the hospital in the state fiscal year.

(19) *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet GME Add-On—A *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet Add-On determined for Graduate Medical Education (GME) costs shall be allocated based on the estimated effect of implementation of a *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet managed care system *[such as MC +]* in accordance with this section.

(A) The *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet GME Add-On for *[Medicaid clients]* MO HealthNet participants covered under a Managed Care Plan shall be determined using the base year cost report and paid in quarterly installments. The base year cost report shall be the fourth prior fiscal year (i.e., the base year for SFY 1999 is the FY 1995 cost report). The hospital per diem shall continue to include a component for GME related to *[Medicaid clients]* MO HealthNet participants not included in a managed care system.

1. Total GME cost shall be multiplied by a managed care allocation factor which incorporates the estimated percentage of the hospital's *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet population included in a managed care system and the estimated implementation date for a managed care system. For example: If a hospital has 1) an annual GME cost of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), 2) forty percent (40%) of their *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet days are related to *[Medicaid recipients]* MO HealthNet participants eligible for *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet managed care, and 3) the projected implementation date for managed care is October 1, 1995; the prorated GME Add-On is thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000).

2. The annual GME Add-On shall be paid in quarterly installments.

(20) Hospital Mergers. Hospitals that merge their operations under one (1) Medicare and *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet provider number shall have their *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet reimbursement combined under the surviving hospital's (the hospital whose Medicare and *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet provider number remains active) *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet provider number.

(B) The per diem rate for merged hospitals shall be calculated—

1. For the remainder of the state fiscal year in which the merger occurred by multiplying each hospital's estimated *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet paid days by its per diem rate, summing the estimated per diem payments and estimated *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet paid days, and then dividing the total estimated per diem payments by the total estimated paid days to determine the weighted per diem rate. The effective date of the weighted per diem rate will be the date of the merger; and

2. For subsequent state fiscal years based on the combined desk-reviewed data after taking into account the different fiscal year ends of the cost reports.

(C) The **Direct** Medicaid *[Direct]* Payments and Uninsured Add-On shall be—

1. Combined under the surviving hospital's *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet provider number for the remainder of the state fiscal year in which the merger occurred; and

2. Calculated for subsequent state fiscal years based on the combined data from the appropriate cost report for each facility.

(D) Merger of Children's Acute Care Hospital. When an acute care children's hospital merges with another acute care hospital, all the provisions in subsection (20)(A) shall apply, except the *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet provider number for the children's hospital will remain active. The only payments made under the children's provider number will be the per diem and outpatient payments. The Direct Medicaid payments and Uninsured Add-On payments will be made under the *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet number associated with the surviving Medicare provider number.

(21) Enhanced Graduate Medical Education (GME) Payment—An enhanced GME payment shall be made to any acute care hospital that provides graduate medical education (teaching hospital).

(B) The enhanced GME payment will be computed by first determining the percentage difference between the McGraw-Hill CPI index for hospital services and Medicare update factors applied to the per resident amounts from 1986 to the most recent SFY. For example, the percentage difference has been computed to be eighty-five and sixty-two[-] one-hundredth percent (85.62%) for SFY 2000. The percentage difference is then multiplied by the *[Medicaid]* MO HealthNet share of the aggregate approved amount reported on worksheet E-3 part IV of the Medicare cost report (HCFA 2552-96) for the fourth prior fiscal year and trended to the current state fiscal year. The resulting product is the enhanced GME payment.

AUTHORITY: sections 208.152, 208.153, *[and]* 208.201, *[RSMo 2000 and 208.152]* and 208.471, *RSMo Supp. [2006] 2007. This rule was previously filed as 13 CSR 40-81.050. Original rule filed Feb. 13, 1969, effective Feb. 23, 1969. For intervening history, please consult the Code of State Regulations. Emergency amendment filed June 18, 2008, effective July 1, 2008, expires Dec. 28, 2008. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.*

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division,

615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, MO 65109. To be considered, comments must be delivered by regular mail, express or overnight mail, in person, or by courier within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. If to be hand-delivered, comments must be brought to the MO HealthNet Division at 615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, Missouri. No public hearing is scheduled.

Title 13—DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
Division 70—[Division of Medical Services]
MO HealthNet Division
Chapter 15—Hospital Program

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

13 CSR 70-15.110 Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA). The division is amending the division title and subsections (1)(A) and (1)(B) and is adding section (16).

PURPOSE: This amendment will establish the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2009 Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA) assessment at 5.25% of each hospital's inpatient and outpatient adjusted net revenues for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009. This amendment will also add a definition for FRA, revise the definitions for base year cost report and contractual allowances, clarify the description of FRA in succeeding state fiscal years, clarify the adjusted net revenues used to determine the FRA assessment on a quartile basis, update division title references to MO HealthNet Division, and update reference to the state's medical assistance program to MO HealthNet.

(1) Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA). FRA shall be assessed as described in this section.

(A) Definitions.

1. Bad debts—Amounts considered to be uncollectible from accounts and notes receivable that were created or acquired in providing services. Allowable bad debts include the costs of caring for patients who have insurance, but their insurance does not cover the particular service procedures or treatment rendered.

2. Base cost report—Desk-reviewed Medicare/Medicaid cost report. [for the latest hospital fiscal year ending during the calendar year. (For example, a provider has a cost report for the nine (9) months ending 9/30/95 and a cost report for the three (3) months ending 12/31/95.)] When a hospital has more than one (1) cost report with periods ending in the base year, the cost report covering a full twelve (12)-month period will be used. If none of the cost reports covers a full twelve (12)-months, the cost report with the latest period will be used. If a hospital's base cost report is less than or greater than a twelve (12)-month period, the data shall be adjusted, based on the number of months reflected in the base cost report, to a twelve (12)-month period.

3. Charity care—Those charges written off by a hospital based on the hospital's policy to provide health care services free of charge or at a reduced charge because of the indigence or medical indigence of the patient.

4. Contractual allowances—Difference between established rates for covered services and the amount paid by third-party payers under contractual agreements. The Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA) is a cost to the hospital, regardless of how the FRA is remitted to the MO HealthNet Division, and shall not be included in contractual allowances for determining revenues. Any redistributions of MO HealthNet payments by private entities acting at the request of participating health care providers shall not be included in contractual allowances or determining revenues or cost of patient care.

5. Department—Department of Social Services.

6. Director—Director of the Department of Social Services.

7. Division—[Division of Medical Services] MO HealthNet Division, Department of Social Services.

8. Engaging in the business of providing inpatient health care—Accepting payment for inpatient services rendered.

9. Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA)—The fee assessed to hospitals for the privilege of engaging in the business of providing inpatient health care in Missouri. The FRA is an allowable cost to the hospital.

[9./10. Fiscal period—Twelve (12)-month reporting period determined by each hospital.

[10./11. Gross hospital service charges—Total charges made by the hospital for inpatient and outpatient hospital services that are covered under 13 CSR 70-15.010.

[11./12. Hospital—A place devoted primarily to the maintenance and operation of facilities for the diagnosis, treatment, or care for not fewer than twenty-four (24) hours in any week of three (3) or more nonrelated individuals suffering from illness, disease, injury, deformity, or other abnormal physical conditions; or a place devoted primarily to provide for not fewer than twenty-four (24) hours in any week, medical or nursing care for three (3) or more nonrelated individuals. The term hospital does not include convalescent, nursing, shelter, or boarding homes as defined in Chapter 198, RSMo.

13. Hospital revenues subject to FRA assessment effective July 1, 2008—Each hospital's inpatient adjusted net revenues and outpatient adjusted net revenues subject to the FRA assessment will be determined as follows:

A. Obtain "Gross Total Charges" from Worksheet G-2, Line 25, Column 3, of the most recent cost report that is available for a hospital. Charges shall exclude revenues for physician services. Charges related to activities subject to the Missouri taxes assessed for outpatient retail pharmacies and nursing facility services shall also be excluded. "Gross Total Charges" will be reduced by the following:

(I) "Nursing Facility Charges" from Worksheet C, Part I, Line 35, Column 6.

(II) "Swing Bed Nursing Facility Charges" from Worksheet G-2, Line 5, Column 1.

(III) "Nursing Facility Ancillary Charges" as determined from the Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division, nursing home cost report. (Note: To the extent that the gross hospital charges, as specified in subparagraph (1)(A)13.A. above, include long-term care charges, the charges to be excluded through this step shall include all long-term care ancillary charges including skilled nursing facility, nursing facility, and other long-term care providers based at the hospital that are subject to the state's provider tax on nursing facility services.)

(IV) "Distinct Part Ambulatory Surgical Center Charges" from Worksheet G2, Line 22, Column 2.

(V) "Ambulance Charges" from Worksheet C, Part I, Line 65, Column 7.

(VI) "Home Health Charges" from Worksheet G-2, Line 19, Column 2.

(VII) "Total Rural Health Clinic Charges" from Worksheet C, Part I, Column 7, Lines 63.50–63.59.

(VIII) "Other Non-Hospital Component Charges" from Worksheet G-2, Lines 6, 8, 21, 21.02, 23, and 24.

B. Obtain "Net Revenue" from Worksheet G-3, Line 3, Column 1. The state will ensure this amount is net of bad debts and other uncollectible charges by survey methodology.

C. "Adjusted Gross Total Charges" (the result of the computations in subparagraph (1)(A)13.A.) will then be further adjusted by a hospital-specific collection-to-charge ratio determined as follows:

(I) Divide "Net Revenue" by "Gross Total Charges."

(II) "Adjusted Gross Total Charges" will be multiplied by the result of part (1)(A)13.C.(I) to yield "Adjusted Net Revenue."

D. Obtain "Gross Inpatient Charges" from Worksheet G-2, Line 25, Column 1, of the most recent cost report that is available for a hospital.

E. Obtain "Gross Outpatient Charges" from Worksheet G-2, Line 25, Column 2, of the most recent cost report that is available for a hospital.

F. Total "Adjusted Net Revenue" will be allocated between "Net Inpatient Revenue" and "Net Outpatient Revenue" as follows:

(I) "Gross Inpatient Charges" will be divided by "Gross Total Charges."

(II) "Adjusted Net Revenue" will then be multiplied by the result to yield "Net Inpatient Revenue."

(III) The remainder will be allocated to "Net Outpatient Revenue."

G. The trend indices listed in 13 CSR 70-15.010(3)(B) and the Missouri Specific Trend defined in 13 CSR 70-15.010 (15)(B)2.A. will be applied to the apportioned inpatient adjusted net revenue and outpatient adjusted net revenue in order to inflate or trend forward the adjusted net revenues from the base cost report fiscal year to the current state fiscal year to determine the inpatient and outpatient adjusted net revenues subject to the FRA assessment.

[12.]/14. Net operating revenue—Gross charges less bad debts, less charity care, and less contractual allowances times the trend indices listed in 13 CSR 70-15.010(3)(B).

[13.]/15. Other operating revenues—The other operating revenue is total other revenue less government appropriations, less donations, and less income from investments times the trend indices listed in 13 CSR 70-15.010(3)(B).

(B) Each hospital, except public hospitals which are operated primarily for the care and treatment of mental disorders and any hospital operated by the Department of Health and Senior Services, engaging in the business of providing inpatient health care in Missouri shall pay an FRA. The FRA shall be calculated by the Department of Social Services.

1. The FRA shall be sixty-three dollars and sixty-three cents (\$63.63) per inpatient hospital day from the 1991 base cost report for Federal Fiscal Year 1994. *[The FRA shall be as described in sections (2), (3) and (4) f/For succeeding periods/.]*, the FRA shall be as described beginning with section (2) and going forward.

2. If a hospital does not have a **fourth prior year** base cost report, *[total/ inpatient and outpatient adjusted net revenues /less Medicaid net revenues/]* shall be estimated as follows:

A. Hospitals required to pay the FRA shall be divided in quartiles based on total beds;

B. Average **inpatient and outpatient adjusted** net revenues *[less Medicaid net revenues/]* shall be individually summed and divided by the total beds in the quartile to yield an average **inpatient and outpatient adjusted** net revenue *[less Medicaid net revenue/]* per bed; and

C. Finally, the number of beds for the hospital without the base cost report shall be multiplied by the average **inpatient and outpatient adjusted** net revenue *[less Medicaid net revenue/]* per bed.

3. The FRA assessment for hospitals that merge operation under one (1) Medicare and *[Medicaid/]* **MO HealthNet** provider number shall be determined as follows:

A. The previously determined FRA assessment for each hospital shall be combined under the active *[Medicaid/]* **MO HealthNet** provider number for the remainder of the state fiscal year after the division receives official notification of the merger; and

B. The FRA assessment for subsequent fiscal years shall be based on the combined data for both facilities.

determined at the rate of five and twenty-five hundredths percent (5.25%) of each hospital's inpatient adjusted net revenues and outpatient adjusted net revenues from the hospital's 2006 Medicare/Medicaid cost report. The FRA assessment rate of 5.25% will be applied individually to the hospital's inpatient adjusted net revenues and outpatient adjusted net revenues. The hospital's total FRA assessment for SFY 2009 is the sum of the assessment determined from its inpatient adjusted net revenue plus the assessment determined for its outpatient adjusted net revenue.

AUTHORITY: sections 208.201, 208.453, and 208.455, RSMo [2000] Supp. 2007. Emergency rule filed Sept. 21, 1992, effective Oct. 1, 1992, expired Jan. 28, 1993. Emergency rule filed Jan. 15, 1993, effective Jan. 25, 1993, expired May 24, 1993. Original rule filed Sept. 21, 1992, effective June 7, 1993. For intervening history, please consult the Code of State Regulations. Emergency amendment filed June 18, 2008, effective July 1, 2008, expires Dec. 28, 2008. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in SFY 2009, which period covers the anticipated aggregate public cost of the amended rule.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment is expected to cost private entities \$821,699,802 in SFY 2009.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division, 615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, MO 65109. To be considered, comments must be delivered by regular mail, express or overnight mail, in person or by courier within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. If to be hand-delivered, comments must be brought to the MO HealthNet Division at 615 Howerton Court, Jefferson City, Missouri. No public hearing is scheduled.

(16) Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA) for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2009. The FRA assessment for SFY 2009 shall be

**FISCAL NOTE
PRIVATE COST**

- I. Department Title:** Department of Social Services
Division Title: MO HealthNet Division
Chapter Title: Hospital Program

Rule Number and Title:	13 CSR 70-15.110 Federal Reimbursement Allowance (FRA)
Type of Rulemaking:	Proposed Amendment

II. SUMMARY OF FISCAL IMPACT

Estimate of the number of entities by class which would likely be affected by the adoption of the rule:	Classification by types of the business entities which would likely be affected:	Estimate in the aggregate as to the cost of compliance with the rule by the affected entities:
136	Hospitals	Annual estimated cost: \$821,699,802

III. WORKSHEET

The fiscal note is based on establishing the FRA assessment rate at 5.25% for SFY 2009 (July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009).

IV. ASSUMPTIONS

The SFY 2009 FRA assessment rate of 5.25% for July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, is levied upon Missouri hospitals' inpatient net adjusted revenue of approximately \$7,363,624,110. The FRA assessment rate of 5.25% is also levied upon Missouri hospitals' outpatient net adjusted revenue of approximately \$5,261,209,347.

The 136 hospitals reported above include 38 hospitals that are owned or controlled by the state, counties, cities, or hospital districts. The impact on these hospitals is \$111,248,884.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 100—Insurer Conduct
Chapter 8—Market Conduct Examination**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 100-8.040 Insurer Record Retention. The director is deleting subsection (3)(F).

PURPOSE: This amendment eliminates a duplicative and conflicting subsection within a new rule.

(3) Records to be Maintained. The following records shall be maintained:

(D) The Missouri complaint records required to be maintained under section 375.936(3), RSMo shall include a complaint log or register in addition to the actual written complaints. The complaint log or register shall show clearly the total number of complaints for a period of not less than the immediately preceding three (3) years, the classification of each complaint by line of insurance, the nature of each complaint, and the disposition of each complaint. The complaint log or register shall also contain a reference to the location of the file to which each complaint corresponds. If the insurer maintains the file in a computer format, the reference in the complaint log or register for locating such documentation shall be an identifier such as the policy number or other code. Such codes shall be provided to the examiners at the time of an examination; **and**

(E) The insurer shall retain declined underwriting files for a period of three (3) years from the date of declination. The term “declined underwriting file” shall mean all written or electronic records concerning a policy for which an application for insurance coverage has been completed and submitted to the insurer or its insurance producer but the insurer has made a determination not to issue a policy or not to add additional coverage when requested. A declined underwriting file shall include an application, any documentation substantiating the decision to decline an issuance of a policy, any binder issued without the insurer issuing a policy, any documentation substantiating the decision not to add additional coverage when requested, and, if required by law, any declination notification. Notes regarding requests for quotations which do not result in a completed application for coverage need not be maintained for purposes of this regulation; **and**.

[(F) The insurer shall retain claim files for a period of three (3) years from the date of the claim determination. These files shall contain all notes and work papers pertaining to the claim in such detail that pertinent events and the dates of these events can be reconstructed. Documentary material which is pertinent to the investigation and/or denial of a claim shall be legibly date stamped with the date of receipt whether it is from an insured, his/her agent, a claimant, the department or any other insurer.]

AUTHORITY: sections 374.045 and 375.948, RSMo 2000. Original rule filed Nov. 1, 2007, effective July 30, 2008. Emergency amendment filed June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires Feb. 26, 2009. Amended: Filed June 23, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment until 5:00

p.m. on August 31, 2008. Written statements shall be sent to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, attention Tamara W. Kopp, PO Box 690, Jefferson City, MO 65102. No public hearing is scheduled.

SPECIAL NEEDS: If you have any special needs addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act, please notify us at (573) 751-6798 or (573) 751-2619 at least five (5) working days prior to the hearing.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION**

**Division 300—Market Conduct Examinations
Chapter 1—Sampling and Error Rates**

PROPOSED RESCISSION

20 CSR 300-1.100 Unfair Claims Settlement Rates. This rule effectuated or aided in the interpretation of section 375.1007, RSMo regarding detection of frequency to indicate a business practice.

PURPOSE: This rule is being rescinded because as of July 30, 2008, the substance of the rule appears in rule 20 CSR 100-8.020 Sampling and Error Rates.

AUTHORITY: sections 374.045, RSMo Supp. 1996 and 375.1000–375.1018, RSMo 1994. This rule was previously filed as 4 CSR 190-10.060(1), (8), and (9). Original rule filed Aug. 5, 1974, effective Aug. 15, 1974. For intervening history, please consult the Code of State Regulations. Emergency rescission filed June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires Feb. 26, 2009. Rescinded: Filed June 23, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed rescission will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed rescission will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed rescission until 5:00 p.m. on August 31, 2008. Written statements shall be sent to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, attention Tamara W. Kopp, PO Box 690, Jefferson City, MO 65102. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION**

**Division 300—Market Conduct Examinations
Chapter 1—Sampling and Error Rates**

PROPOSED RESCISSION

20 CSR 300-1.200 Fraudulent or Bad Faith Conduct Rules. This rule set forth acts or practices which may constitute conducting business fraudulently or constitute not carrying out contracts in good faith within the scope of section 375.445, RSMo 1986 and set forth acts which may constitute misrepresentations and false advertising of insurance policies within the scope of section 375.936(6), RSMo 1986. The acts or practices prohibited by this regulation were not intended to be an exhaustive list of acts or practices prohibited by section 375.445 or 375.936(6), RSMo 1986.

PURPOSE: This rule is being rescinded because as of July 30, 2008, the substance of the rule appears in rule 20 CSR 100-8.020 Sampling and Error Rates.

AUTHORITY: sections 374.045, RSMo Supp. 1996. This rule was previously filed as 4 CSR 190-10.080. Original rule filed Aug. 4, 1986, effective Jan. 1, 1987. Amended: Filed Oct. 1, 1996, effective June 30, 1997. Emergency rescission filed June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires Feb. 26, 2009. Rescinded: Filed June 23, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed rescission will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed rescission will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed rescission until 5:00 p.m. on August 31, 2008. Written statements shall be sent to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, attention Tamara W. Kopp, PO Box 690, Jefferson City, MO 65102. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 300—Market Conduct Examinations
Chapter 2—Record Retention for Market Conduct
Examinations**

PROPOSED RESCISSION

20 CSR 300-2.100 File and Record Documentation for Claims.
This rule effectuated or aided in the interpretation of section 375.936(10), RSMo regarding retaining claim records.

PURPOSE: This rule is being rescinded because as of July 30, 2008, the substance of the rule appears in rules 20 CSR 100-8.010 Standards of Examination, 20 CSR 100-8.020 Sampling and Error Rates, and 20 CSR 100-8.040 Insurer Record Retention.

AUTHORITY: sections 374.045 and 375.930–375.948, RSMo 1986. This rule was previously filed as 4 CSR 190-10.060(2). Original rule filed Aug. 5, 1974, effective Aug. 15, 1974. For intervening history, please consult the *Code of State Regulations*. Emergency rescission filed June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires Feb. 26, 2009. Rescinded: Filed June 23, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed rescission will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed rescission will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed rescission until 5:00 p.m. on August 31, 2008. Written statements shall be sent to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, attention Tamara W. Kopp, PO Box 690, Jefferson City, MO 65102. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
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Division 300—Market Conduct Examinations
Chapter 2—Record Retention for Market Conduct
Examinations**

PROPOSED RESCISSION

20 CSR 300-2.200 Records Required for Purposes of Market Conduct Examinations. The regulation described the requirements for record keeping for insurance companies and related entities doing business in this state. This regulation was adopted pursuant to the provisions of section 374.045, RSMo 1986 and to implement sections 287.350, 354.190, 354.465, 374.190, 374.210, 375.158, 379.343, and 379.475, RSMo 1986, and sections 144.027, 354.149, 354.717, 375.022, 375.150, 375.151, 375.926, 375.932, 375.938, 375.1002, and 375.1009, RSMo Supp. 1991.

PURPOSE: This rule is being rescinded because as of July 30, 2008, the substance of the rule appears in rule 20 CSR 100-8.040 Insurer Record Retention.

AUTHORITY: sections 144.027, 287.350, 354.190, 354.465, 354.717, 374.045, 374.190, 374.202, 374.205, 374.210, 375.013, 375.149, 375.150, 375.151, 375.932, 375.938, 375.948, 375.1002, 375.1009, 375.1018, 379.343, 379.475, and 536.016, RSMo 2000 and sections 375.012, 375.022, and 375.158, RSMo Supp. 2004. This rule was previously filed as 4 CSR 190-11.050. Original rule filed Dec. 20, 1974, effective Dec. 30, 1974. For intervening history, please consult the *Code of State Regulations*. Emergency rescission filed June 23, 2008, effective July 30, 2008, expires Feb. 26, 2009. Rescinded: Filed June 23, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed rescission will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed rescission will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed rescission until 5:00 p.m. on August 31, 2008. Written statements shall be sent to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, attention Tamara W. Kopp, PO Box 690, Jefferson City, MO 65102. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 300—Market Conduct Examinations
Chapter 3—Policy Contents and Coverages**

PROPOSED RESCISSION

20 CSR 300-3.100 Primary Coverage for Replacement Vehicle. The Circuit Court of Cole County, Missouri, issued a decision on June 20, 1995, declaring 20 CSR 300-3.100 to be void and of no force or effect. The Department of Insurance and the director of the department were permanently enjoined from enforcing this rule.

PURPOSE: This rule is being rescinded because the department is permanently enjoined from enforcing this rule.

AUTHORITY: sections 374.045, RSMo Supp. 1993 and 379.201, RSMo 1986. Original rule filed Jan. 10, 1994, effective Aug. 28,

1994. Rule declared void June 20, 1995. Rescinded: Filed June 23, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed rescission will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed rescission will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed rescission until 5:00 p.m. on August 31, 2008. Written statements shall be sent to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, attention Tamara W. Kopp, PO Box 690, Jefferson City, MO 65102. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 2015—Acupuncturist Advisory Committee
Chapter 1—General Rules**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2015-1.020 Acupuncturist Credentials, Name and Address Changes. The board is proposing to amend section (5).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 15 are being amended throughout the rule.

(5) A licensed acupuncturist shall use only those educational credentials in association with the license that have been earned at an acceptable educational institution as defined in [4 CSR 15-4.020] **20 CSR 2015-4.020** and that are related to acupuncture.

AUTHORITY: sections 324.481 and 324.487, RSMo 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 15-1.020. Original rule filed July 24, 2001, effective Feb. 28, 2002. Amended: Filed Feb. 15, 2005, effective Aug. 30, 2005. Moved to 20 CSR 2015-1.020, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Acupuncturist Advisory Committee, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at (573) 751-0735, or via email at acupunct@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 2015—Acupuncturist Advisory Committee
Chapter 2—Acupuncturist Licensure Requirements**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2015-2.010 Application for Licensure. The board is proposing to amend section (2).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 15 are being amended throughout the rule.

(2) The application shall be typewritten or printed in black ink, signed, notarized, and accompanied by all documents required by the advisory committee and the application fee as defined in [4 CSR 15-1.030(3)(A)] **20 CSR 2015-1.030(3)(A)**. Documentation required to be submitted with the application shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

(A) Two (2) sets of fingerprints and the applicable fee as defined in [4 CSR 15-1.030(3)(C)] **20 CSR 2015-1.030(3)(C)**;

AUTHORITY: sections 324.481, 324.487, and 324.493, RSMo 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 15-2.010. Original rule filed July 24, 2001, effective Feb. 28, 2002. Moved to 20 CSR 2015-2.010, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Acupuncturist Advisory Committee, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at (573) 751-0735, or via email at acupunct@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
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REGISTRATION
Division 2015—Acupuncturist Advisory Committee
Chapter 2—Acupuncturist Licensure Requirements**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2015-2.020 License Renewal, Restoration and Continuing Education. The board is proposing to amend section (4).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 15 are being amended throughout the rule.

(4) A person may submit an application to restore a license that has been expired for not more than two (2) years after the expiration date. The application shall be submitted in compliance with [4 CSR 15-2.010] **20 CSR 2015-2.010**, accompanied by the required fee, and shall include documentation of completing continuing education pursuant to [4 CSR 15-2.020(3)] **20 CSR 2015-2.020(3)**.

AUTHORITY: sections 324.481, 324.490, 324.493, and 324.496, RSMo 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 15-2.020. Original rule filed July 24, 2001, effective Feb. 28, 2002. Amended: Filed

March 15, 2004, effective Sept. 30, 2004. Moved to 20 CSR 2015-2.020, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Acupuncturist Advisory Committee, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at (573) 751-0735, or via email at acupunct@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
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**Division 2015—Acupuncturist Advisory Committee
Chapter 4—Supervision of Auricular Detox Technicians
and Acupuncturist Trainees**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2015-4.010 Supervision of Auricular Detox Technicians.
The board is proposing to amend section (2).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 15 are being amended throughout the rule. This amendment also makes a grammatical correction.

(2) A licensed acupuncturist shall provide supervision of a technician. For the purpose of this rule, electronic communication is acceptable for supervision if the communication is visually and/or verbally interactive, and no more than fifty percent (50%) of the supervision shall be by electronic means.

(A) A licensed acupuncturist shall be available on-site or by telephone or pager when the [detax] detox technician is providing services as defined in [4 CSR 15-4.010(1)] **20 CSR 2015-4.010(1)**.

AUTHORITY: sections 324.475, 324.481, and 324.484, RSMo 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 15-4.010. Original rule filed July 24, 2001, effective Feb. 28, 2002. Moved to 20 CSR 2015-4.010, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Acupuncturist Advisory Committee, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at (573) 751-0735, or via email at acupunct@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
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**Division 2165—Board of Examiners for Hearing
Instrument Specialists
Chapter 1—General Rules**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2165-1.020 Fees. The board is proposing to amend section (1).

PURPOSE: House Bill 780 and Senate Bill 308 (2007) removed the requirement for audiologists to be dually licensed with the State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts. Pursuant to section 345.055.3, RSMo, the board shall set the amount of the fees which this chapter authorizes and requires by rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to section 536.021, RSMo. The fees shall be set at a level to produce revenue which shall not substantially exceed the cost and expense of administering this chapter. This amendment also implements an inactive license fee.

(1) The following fees are established by the Board of Examiners for Hearing Instrument Specialists and are payable in the form of a cashier's check, money order, or personal check:

(A) Hearing Instrument Specialist	
Application Fee	\$[150]/250
(B) Hearing Instrument Specialist in	
Training Application Fee (Also	
known as temporary permit fee)	\$[150]/250
(C) Exam Fee	
1. Written	\$ [95]/125
2. Practical	\$[125]/150
(F) Temporary Permit Extension	\$ [75]/175
(G) License Renewal	
1. Active	\$[250]/400
2. Inactive	\$200

AUTHORITY: sections 346.115.1(7) and (8), RSMo [Supp. 1998] 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 165-1.020. Emergency rule filed March 18, 1996, effective March 28, 1996, expired Sept. 23, 1996. Emergency rule filed Oct. 28, 1996, effective Nov. 7, 1996, expired May 5, 1997. Original rule filed Oct. 16, 1996, effective May 30, 1997. For intervening history, please consult the *Code of State Regulations*. Amended: Filed July 1, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will cost state agencies or political subdivisions approximately eight thousand nine hundred forty dollars (\$8,940) annually and approximately thirty-five thousand one hundred dollars (\$35,100) biennially for the life of the rule. It is anticipated that the costs will recur for the life of the rule, may vary with inflation, and are expected to increase at the rate projected by the Legislative Oversight Committee.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will cost private entities approximately eight thousand nine hundred forty dollars (\$8,940) and approximately thirty-five thousand one hundred dollars (\$35,100) biennially for the life of the rule. It is anticipated that the costs will recur for the life of the rule, may vary with inflation, and are expected to increase at the rate projected by the Legislative Oversight Committee.

*NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Board of Examiners for Hearing Instrument Specialists, Attention: Dana Hoelscher, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, via fax at (573) 526-3856, or via email at behis@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.*

PUBLIC ENTITY FISCAL NOTE

I. RULE NUMBER

Title 20 - Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration

Division 2165 - Board of Examiners for Hearing Instrument Specialists

Chapter 1 - General Rules

Proposed Amendment - 20 CSR 2165-1.020 Fees

Prepared May 5, 2008 by the Division of Professional Registration

II. SUMMARY OF FISCAL IMPACT

Affected Agency or Political Subdivision	Estimated Increase In Revenue	
Board of Examiners for Hearing Instrument Specialists	\$8,940.00	Annually
	\$35,100.00	Biennially

III. WORKSHEET

The division is statutorily obligated to enforce and administer the provisions of sections 346.007-346.250, RSMo. Pursuant to Section 346.115, RSMo, the division shall by rule and regulation set the amount of fees authorized by sections 346.007-346.250, RSMo so that the revenue produced is sufficient, but not excessive, to cover the cost and expense to the board for administering the provisions of sections 346.007-346.250, RSMo. The board estimates the projections calculated in the Private Entity Fiscal Notes will be revenue for the board.

IV. ASSUMPTION

1. It is anticipated that the total revenue will recur for the life of the rule, may vary with inflation and is expected to increase at the rate projected by the Legislative Oversight Committee.

PRIVATE ENTITY FISCAL NOTE

I. RULE NUMBER**Title 20 - Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration****Division 2165 - Board of Examiners for Hearing Instrument Specialists****Chapter 1 - General Rules****Proposed Amendment - 20 CSR 2165-1.020 Fees**

Prepared May 5, 2008 by the Division of Professional Registration

II. SUMMARY OF FISCAL IMPACT**Annual**

Estimate the number of entities by class which would likely be affected by the adoption of the proposed amendment:	Classification by type of the business entities which will likely be affected:	Estimated annual increase in cost of compliance with the rule by affected entities:
26	Hearing Instrument Specialist Application Fee (\$100 Increase)	\$2,600
24	Hearing Instrument Specialist in Training Application Fee (Also known as temporary permit fee) (\$100 Increase)	\$2,400
33	Exam Fee - Written (\$30 Increase)	\$990
31	Exam Fee - Practical (\$50 Increase)	\$1,550
6	Temporary Permit Extension (\$100 Increase)	\$600
4	License Renewal - Inactive (\$200 Increase)	\$800
Estimated Annual Increase in Cost of Compliance for the Life of the Rule		\$8,940

Biennial

Estimate the number of entities by class which would likely be affected by the adoption of the proposed amendment:	Classification by type of the business entities which will likely be affected:	Estimated biennial increase in cost of compliance with the rule by affected entities:
234	License Renewal - Active (\$150 Increase)	\$35,100
Estimated Biennial Increase in Cost of Compliance for the Life of the Rule		\$35,100

III. WORKSHEET

See table above.

IV. ASSUMPTION

1. The figures reported above are based on FY06-FY07 actuals and the board's five year projections.
2. The board has seen a 50% decrease in its licensees due to the passage of House Bill 780 and Senate Bill 308 in 2007, and could potentially see a further decrease during the next renewal period. The board can not calculate an expected growth rate at this time.
3. It is anticipated that the total increase in cost will recur or the life of the rule, may vary with inflation and is expected to increase at the rate projected by the Legislative Oversight Committee.

NOTE: The division is statutorily obligated to enforce and administer the provisions of sections 346.007-346.250, RSMo. Pursuant to Section 346.115, RSMo, the division shall by rule and regulation set the amount of fees authorized by sections 346.007-346.250, RSMo so that the revenue produced is sufficient, but not excessive, to cover the cost and expense to the board for administering the provisions of sections 346.007-346.250, RSMo.

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Division 2165—Board of Examiners for Hearing
Instrument Specialists
Chapter 1—General Rules**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2165-1.030 Custodian of Public Records. The board is proposing to amend section (5).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 165 are being amended throughout the rule.

(5) The custodian shall maintain a file which will retain, for at least two (2) years, copies of all written requests for access to records and responses to requests. This file shall be maintained as a public record of the office open for inspection by any member of the general public during regular business hours as noted in *[4 CSR 165-1.030(2)] 20 CSR 2165-1.030(2)*.

AUTHORITY: section 346.115.1(7), RSMo [Supp. 1996] 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 165-1.030. Original rule filed Oct. 16, 1996, effective May 30, 1997. Moved to 20 CSR 2165-1.030, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Board of Examiners for Hearing Instrument Specialists, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-526-3856, or via email at behis@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 2165—Board of Examiners for Hearing
Instrument Specialists
Chapter 2—Licensure Requirements**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2165-2.010 Hearing Instrument Specialist in Training (Temporary Permits). The board is proposing to amend sections (1) through (4).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 165 are being amended throughout the rule.

(1) Any individual seeking to develop the skills and training necessary to obtain a license under section 346.075, RSMo, shall register supervision and apply for a temporary permit to engage in the practice of fitting hearing instruments as defined by section 346.010(11), RSMo. An application for registration of supervision shall be made on a form provided by the board and must be accompanied by the appropriate fee as prescribed in *[4 CSR 165-1.020] 20 CSR 2165-1.020*. The application shall not be considered proper and final until qualifications of the supervisor match the criteria as prescribed in *[4 CSR 165-2.020] 20 CSR 2165-2.020*.

(2) An approved temporary permit shall entitle the hearing instrument specialist in training to engage in the practice of fitting hearing instruments as defined by section 346.010(11), RSMo, for a period of one (1) year.

(A) If a person holding a permit has not passed the examination within the one (1)-year period, the hearing instrument specialist in training may renew the permit once for a period of six (6) months upon payment of the applicable fee as prescribed in *[4 CSR 165-1.020] 20 CSR 2165-1.020*.

(3) The hearing instrument specialist in training shall accrue no less than one hundred (100) hours of supervision from a licensed hearing instrument specialist registered as a supervisor pursuant to *[4 CSR 165-2.020] 20 CSR 2165-2.020* prior to becoming eligible for licensure by examination.

(4) If the hearing instrument specialist in training ceases to practice under an approved supervisor and/or changes supervision, s/he shall notify the board by filing a change of supervision form and paying the change of supervision fee as defined in *[4 CSR 165-1.020] 20 CSR 2165-1.020*. The change of supervision is subject to review pursuant to *[4 CSR 165-2.010(2)] 20 CSR 2165-2.010(2)*.

AUTHORITY: sections 346.070, 346.075, 346.080, and 346.115.1(7), RSMo 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 165-2.010. Emergency rule filed March 18, 1996, effective March 28, 1996, expired Sept. 23, 1996. Emergency rule filed Oct. 28, 1996, effective Nov. 7, 1996, expired May 5, 1997. Original rule filed Oct. 16, 1996, effective May 30, 1997. For intervening history, please consult the Code of State Regulations. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Board of Examiners for Hearing Instrument Specialists, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-526-3856, or via email at behis@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 2165—Board of Examiners for Hearing
Instrument Specialists
Chapter 2—Licensure Requirements**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2165-2.020 Supervisors. The board is proposing to amend sections (1), (2), and (5).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 165 are being amended throughout the rule.

(1) A licensed hearing instrument specialist may obtain a certificate of authority as a registered supervisor by completing an application from the board and paying the required fee as defined in [4 CSR 165-1.020] **20 CSR 2165-1.020**.

(2) A registered supervisor of a hearing instrument specialist in training must be licensed in Missouri as a hearing instrument specialist for a minimum of two (2) years.

(B) Within twelve (12) months of the effective date of the proposed rule, as published in the *Code of State Regulations*, a licensed hearing instrument specialist shall pass the National Competency Examination (N.C.E.) administered by National Board for Certification in Hearing Instrument Sciences (NBC-HIS) in order to qualify as a registered supervisor.

1. [4 CSR 165-2.020(2)(B)] **20 CSR 2165-2.020(2)(B)** shall not apply to a licensed hearing instrument specialist licensed as an audiologist pursuant to Chapter 345, RSMo, and possessing a certificate of clinical competence or is completing the clinical fellowship year offered by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association.

2. [4 CSR 165-2.020(2)(B)] **20 CSR 2165-2.020(2)(B)** shall not apply to a licensed hearing instrument specialist who has passed the N.C.E. administered by NBC-HIS prior to the effective date of this proposed rule.

(5) Within thirty (30) days of completion of registered supervision, pursuant to [4 CSR 165-2.010(5)] **20 CSR 2165-2.010(5)** the registered supervisor shall document the supervision and training on an attestation form provided by the board.

AUTHORITY: sections 346.075.2 and 346.115.1(7), RSMo [Supp. 1996] **2000**. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 165-2.020. Emergency rule filed March 18, 1996, effective March 28, 1996, expired Sept. 23, 1996. Emergency rule filed Oct. 28, 1996, effective Nov. 7, 1996, expired May 5, 1996. Original rule filed Oct. 16, 1996, effective May 30, 1997. Moved to 20 CSR 2165-2.020, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Board of Examiners for Hearing Instrument Specialists, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-526-3856, or via email at behis@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION**

**Division 2165—Board of Examiners for Hearing
Instrument Specialists
Chapter 2—Licensure Requirements**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2165-2.050 Continuing Education Requirements. The board is proposing to amend section (1).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 165 are being amended throughout the rule.

(1) The following guidelines govern the attendance and approval of educational programs for license renewal:

(C) The licensee may submit the information outlined in [4 CSR 165-2.050(1)(B)] **20 CSR 2165-2.050(1)(B)** to the board for review and approval.

AUTHORITY: section 346.115.1(7), RSMo 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 165-2.050. Original rule filed Oct. 16, 1996, effective May 30, 1997. For intervening history, please consult the *Code of State Regulations*. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Board of Examiners for Hearing Instrument Specialists, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-526-3856, or via email at behis@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION**

**Division 2165—Board of Examiners for Hearing
Instrument Specialists
Chapter 2—Licensure Requirements**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2165-2.060 License Renewal. The board is proposing to amend section (6) and add section (9).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 165 are being amended throughout the rule. This amendment also adds an inactive license status.

(6) When an organization owns or leases all or a portion of the audiometers utilized by the hearing instrument specialist employed, the organization must submit annual receipt of calibration as required

in [4 CSR 165-2.060(3)] 20 CSR 2165-2.060(3). A hearing instrument specialist employed with such an organization who utilizes only this equipment may reference this annual receipt as evidence of compliance with his/her annual calibration requirements.

(9) Inactive License.

(A) A hearing instrument specialist may choose to place his/her license on an inactive status by signing an affidavit stating that s/he will not engage in the practice or be involved in any aspect, administrative or otherwise, of the practice of fitting hearing instruments in Missouri, which would include serving as a supervisor of a hearing instrument specialist in training and submitting that affidavit with the renewal application and the appropriate fee to the board office. The license issued to all these applicants shall be stamped "inactive."

(B) In order for a hearing instrument specialist to activate an inactive license, the licensee shall submit to the board office—

1. The renewal application;
2. The balance of the active renewal fee. No fee will be prorated;
3. Evidence that the licensee has completed the required continuing education credits in accordance with 20 CSR 2165-2.060(5) for each renewal cycle that the license is inactive. These required approved continuing education credits shall not exceed a total of fifty (50) hours. These hours must have been obtained during the preceding twenty-four (24) months from the date of application for restoration to active status;
4. Annual calibration receipt;
5. The license stamped "inactive"; and
6. Registered supervisors must submit proof of current board certification.

(C) The board will issue an inactive license, which shall be effective until the next regular renewal date. No penalty fee shall apply.

AUTHORITY: sections 346.095 and 346.115.1(7), RSMo 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 165-2.060. Emergency rule filed Oct. 28, 1996, effective Nov. 7, 1996, expired May 5, 1997. Original rule filed Nov. 6, 1996, effective May 30, 1997. For intervening history, please consult the *Code of State Regulations*. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Board of Examiners for Hearing Instrument Specialists, Attention: Dana Hoelscher, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, via fax at (573) 526-3856, or via email at behis@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 2165—Board of Examiners for Hearing
Instrument Specialists
Chapter 3—Code of Ethics**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2165-3.010 General Obligations of the Licensee. The board is proposing to amend sections (3) and (4).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 165 are being amended throughout the rule.

(3) It shall be unethical for a hearing instrument specialist in training to misrepresent or mislead, directly or by implication, prospective purchasers into the erroneous belief that the hearing instrument specialist in training is licensed as a hearing instrument specialist by the state of Missouri by—

(A) Omitting "hearing instrument specialist in training" or its equivalent as defined in [4 CSR 160-2.030] 20 CSR 2165-2.030 from business cards, advertising, or any other industry document bearing his/her name; or

(4) It shall be unethical for a registered supervisor of a hearing instrument specialist in training to—

(A) Fail to provide the required training and supervision according to [4 CSR 165-2.010] 20 CSR 2165-2.010 to a hearing instrument specialist in training; or

AUTHORITY: section 346.115.1(7), RSMo [(Cum. Supp. 1996)] 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 165-3.010. Emergency rule filed Oct. 18, 1996, effective Nov. 1, 1996, expired April 29, 1997. Original rule filed Nov. 6, 1996, effective May 30, 1997. Moved to 20 CSR 2165-3.010, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Board of Examiners for Hearing Instrument Specialists, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-526-3856, or via email at behis@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION**

**Division 2197—Board of Therapeutic Massage
Chapter 1—General Rules**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2197-1.010 Definitions. The board is proposing to amend the original purpose statement.

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 197 are being amended throughout the rule.

PURPOSE: This rule defines terms used in [4 CSR 197] 20 CSR 2197.

AUTHORITY: sections 324.245, 324.257, and 324.265, RSMo Supp. [1999] 2007. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 197-1.010. Original rule filed Feb. 25, 2000, effective Sept. 30, 2000. Moved to 20 CSR 2197-1.010, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Board of Therapeutic Massage, Loree Kessler, Executive Director, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by faxing comments to (573) 751-0735, or by emailing comments to massther@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION**

**Division 2197—Board of Therapeutic Massage
Chapter 5—Massage Therapy Business Requirements**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2197-5.040 Massage Therapy Business License Renewal. The board is proposing to amend section (4).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 197 are being amended throughout the rule.

(4) The license of a massage therapy business that is not renewed by the expiration date shall lapse and become not current. A massage therapy business license that has lapsed may be renewed by completing the renewal form and paying the required renewal and late fees as defined in [4 CSR 197-1.040(3)(B)1.] **20 CSR 2197-1.040(3)(B)1.** within thirty (30) days of the expiration date. A massage therapy business shall not offer massage therapy until filing the renewal form and paying the required fees.

AUTHORITY: sections 324.245, 324.257, and 324.262, RSMo Supp. 2007 and sections 324.250, 324.255, and 324.260, RSMo 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 197-5.040. Original rule filed Feb. 25, 2000, effective Sept. 30, 2000. Amended: Filed Nov. 26, 2003, effective June 30, 2004. Moved to 20 CSR 2197-5.040, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed Aug. 21, 2007, effective March 30, 2008. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Board of Therapeutic Massage, Loree Kessler, Executive Director, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by faxing comments to (573) 751-0735, or by emailing comments to massther@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION**

**Division 2200—State Board of Nursing
Chapter 4—General Rules**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2200-4.010 Fees. The board is proposing to amend subsection (1)(J).

PURPOSE: The board is statutorily obligated to enforce and administer the provisions of Chapter 335, RSMo. Pursuant to section 335.036.2., RSMo, the board shall by rule and regulation set the amount of fees authorized by Chapter 335, RSMo so that the revenue produced is sufficient, but not excessive, to cover the cost and expense to the board for administering the provisions of sections 331.010–331.115, RSMo. Therefore, the board is proposing to reduce their renewal fees.

(1) The following fees are established by the State Board of Nursing:

(J) Biennial Renewal Fee—

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| 1. RN—Effective January 1, 2003 | \$ 80 |
| A. Effective January 1, 2009 | \$ 60 |
| 2. LPN—Effective January 1, 2003 | \$ 72 |
| A. January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008 | \$ 37 |
| B. Effective January 1, 2009 | \$ [72]52 |

3. License renewal for a professional nurse shall be biennial; occurring on odd-numbered years and the license shall expire on April 30 of each odd-numbered year. License renewal for a practical nurse shall be biennial; occurring on even-numbered years and the license shall expire on May 31 of each even-numbered year. Renewal shall be for a twenty-four (24)-month period except in instances when renewal for a greater or lesser number of months is caused by acts or policies of the Missouri State Board of Nursing. Renewal applications (see 20 CSR 2200-4.020) shall be mailed every even-numbered year by the Missouri State Board of Nursing to all LPNs currently licensed and every odd-numbered year to all RNs currently licensed;

4. Renewal fees for each biennial renewal period as outlined in this subparagraph shall be accepted by the Missouri State Board of Nursing only if accompanied by an appropriately completed renewal application:

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| A. RNs (odd-numbered years): | |
| (I) Effective January 1, 2003 | \$80 |
| B. LPNs (even-numbered years): | |
| (I) Effective January 1, 2003 | \$72 |
| (II) January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008 | \$37 |
| (III) Effective January 1, 2009 | \$72 |

5. All fees established for licensure or licensure renewal of nurses incorporate an educational surcharge in the amount of one dollar (\$1) per year for practical nurses and five dollars (\$5) per year for professional nurses. These funds are deposited in the professional and practical nursing student loan and nurse repayment fund;

AUTHORITY: section 335.036, RSMo Supp. 2007 and section 335.046, RSMo 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 200-4.010.

*Emergency rule filed Aug. 13, 1981, effective Aug. 23, 1981, expired Dec. 11, 1981. Original rule filed Aug. 13, 1981, effective Nov. 12, 1981. For intervening history, please consult the **Code of State Regulations**. Amended: Filed June 2, 2008.*

***PUBLIC COST:** This proposed amendment will reduce the State Board of Nursing Fund approximately two (2) million dollars biennially for the life of the rule. It is anticipated that the costs will recur for the life of the rule, may vary with inflation and are expected to increase at the rate projected by the Legislative Oversight Committee.*

***PRIVATE COST:** This proposed amendment will save private entities approximately two (2) million dollars biennially for the life of the rule. It is anticipated that the costs will recur for the life of the rule, may vary with inflation and are expected to increase at the rate projected by the Legislative Oversight Committee.*

***NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS:** Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the State Board of Nursing, Lori Scheidt, Executive Director, PO Box 656, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by fax at (573) 751-0075, or via email at nursing@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.*

PUBLIC ENTITY FISCAL NOTE

I. RULE NUMBER

Title 20 - Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration

Division 2200 - State Board of Nursing

Chapter 4 - General Rules

Proposed Amendment - 20 CSR 2200-4.010 Fees

Prepared March 17, 2008 by the Division of Professional Registration

II. SUMMARY OF FISCAL IMPACT

Affected Agency or Political Subdivision	Estimated Loss of Revenue	
State Board of Nursing		\$2,000,000.00
	Total Loss of Revenue Biennially for the Life of the Rule	\$2,000,000.00

III. WORKSHEET

The board estimates the projections calculated in the Private Entity Fiscal Notes will be total loss of revenue for the board.

IV. ASSUMPTION

1. The division is statutorily obligated to enforce and administer the provisions of sections 335.011-324.257, RSMo. Pursuant to Section 335.036, RSMo, the board shall set the amount of the fees which this chapter authorizes and requires by rules and regulations. The fees shall be set at a level to produce revenue which shall not substantially exceed the cost and expense of administering this chapter.

PRIVATE ENTITY FISCAL NOTE**I. RULE NUMBER****Title 20 - Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration****Division 2200 - State Board of Nursing****Chapter 4 - General Rules****Proposed Amendment - 20 CSR 2200-4.010 Fees**

Prepared March 17, 2008 by the Division of Professional Registration

II. SUMMARY OF FISCAL IMPACT

Estimate the number of entities by class which would likely be affected by the adoption of the proposed amendment:	Classification by type of the business entities which would likely be affected:	Estimated savings for compliance with the amendment by affected entities:
80,000	Register Nurse (Renewal Fee @ \$20 decrease)	\$1,600,000
20,000	License Practical Nurse (Renewal Fee @ \$20 decrease)	\$400,000
	Estimated Biennial Cost Savings for the Life of the Rule	\$2,000,000

III. WORKSHEET

See table above.

IV. ASSUMPTION

1. The figures reported above are based on FY07 actuals.
2. It is anticipated that the total saving will recur for the life of the rule, may vary with inflation and is expected to increase at the rate projected by the Legislative Oversight Committee.

NOTE: The division is statutorily obligated to enforce and administer the provisions of sections 335.011-324.257, RSMo. Pursuant to Section 335.036, RSMo, the board shall set the amount of the fees which this chapter authorizes and requires by rules and regulations. The fees shall be set at a level to produce revenue which shall not substantially exceed the cost and expense of administering this chapter.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 2200—State Board of Nursing
Chapter 4—General Rules**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2200-4.020 Requirements for Licensure. The board is proposing to amend sections (4), (5), and (8), delete section (9) and renumber the remaining sections.

PURPOSE: This amendment further clarifies the requirements for licensure for foreign educated applicants.

(4) Passing Score.

(A) The standard score of three hundred fifty (350) in each subject of the State Board Test Pool Examination for Registered Nurses shall be the Missouri passing score beginning with series **nine hundred forty-nine** (949) through series **two hundred eighty-two** (282). Candidates writing the licensing examination prior to the date series **nine hundred forty-nine** (949) was given shall have no grade below sixty-five percent (65%) and shall have attained an average score of seventy percent (70%). Beginning July 1982, the standardized scoring system to be used with the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses will have a passing score of sixteen hundred (1600). Beginning February 1989, to be eligible for licensure, a candidate must achieve a pass designation on the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses.

(5) Licensure by Endorsement in Missouri—Registered Nurses (RNs) and Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs).

(A) A professional/practical nurse licensed in another state or territory of the United States *[or Canada]* shall be entitled to licensure provided qualifications are equivalent to the requirements of Missouri at the time of original licensure. This equivalency shall be defined as—

1. Evidence of completion and graduation from an accredited program of professional/practical nursing **if educated in a state of the United States; a course-by-course evaluation report received directly from a credentials evaluation service approved by the board or a Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools (CGFNS) certificate if the initial nursing education was earned in a territory, Canada or another country;**

2. Attainment of a passing standard score or pass designation as determined by the Missouri State Board of Nursing on the licensing examination or attainment of an acceptable grade in areas comparable to those required in Missouri at the time licensure was secured in the state of original licensure;

3. Evidence of completion of the applicable secondary education set forth in section 335.046, RSMo requirements or the equivalent as determined by the State Department of Education;

4. Applicants who are not citizens of the United States who have completed programs in schools of professional/practical nursing in states which require citizenship for licensure may take the National Council Licensure Examination for professional/practical nurses in Missouri if they meet all of Missouri's requirements; and

5. If an individual was licensed by waiver as a practical/vocational nurse in another state, territory or foreign country prior to July 1, 1955, and the individual meets the requirements for licensure as a practical nurse in Missouri which were in effect at the time the individual was licensed in the other jurisdiction, she/he is eligible for licensure in Missouri as an LPN. If an individual is licensed by waiver in another state after July 1, 1955, she/he does not qualify for licensure by waiver in Missouri as a practical nurse.

(8) Intercountry Licensure by Examination in Missouri—RN and LPN.

(A) Application Procedure.

1. A professional/practical nurse *[licensed]* **educated outside a state of the United States [or Canada]** shall be entitled to apply to take the examination for licensure if, in the opinion of the Missouri State Board of Nursing, current requirements for licensure in Missouri are met.

2. An applicant must request~~/~~, *in writing,* an Application for Professional/Practical Nurse Licensure by Examination. The request shall include the applicant's full name, current mailing address and country of original licensure. The application shall be properly executed by the applicant in black ink and shall be included in the documents submitted to the Missouri State Board of Nursing for evaluation with the required credentials. All original documents shall be returned to the applicant. Credentials in a foreign language shall be translated into English, the translation shall be signed by the translator and the signature shall be notarized by a notary public. The translation shall be attached to the credentials in a foreign language when submitted to the Missouri State Board of Nursing.

3. The required credentials for practical nurse applicants are—

A. A course-by-course evaluation report received directly from a foreign credentials evaluation service approved by the board;

B. A photostatic copy of birth certificate (if a copy of birth certificate is not available, copy of baptismal certificate, passport or notarized statement from an authorized agency will be accepted as verification of name, date of birth and place of birth);

C. Photostatic copy of marriage license/certificate (if applicable);

D. Evidence of English-language proficiency by any of the following:

(I) Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) www.toefl.org with a passing score of **five hundred forty** (540) on the paper examination or a passing score of **two hundred seven** (207) for the computerized examination **or a passing score of seventy-six (76) on the Internet-based exam;** or

(II) Test of English for International Communication (TOEIC) www.toeic.com with a passing score of **seven hundred twenty-five** (725); or

(III) International English Language Testing System (IELTS) www.ielts.org with a passing score in the academic module of **six and one-half** (6.5) and the Spoken Band score of **seven** (7);

E. Test of Spoken English (TSE®) Certificate indicating that the applicant has obtained a minimum overall score of fifty (50);

F. Photostatic copy of original license issued by the licensing agency where original licensure/registration was secured by examination; and

G. The completed application must be accompanied by one (1) two-inch by two-inch (2" × 2") portrait/photograph of the applicant, and proof of submission of fingerprints to the Missouri State Highway Patrol's approved vendor for both a Missouri State Highway Patrol and Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint background check. Proof shall consist of any documentation acceptable to the board. Any fees due for fingerprint background checks shall be paid by the applicant directly to the Missouri State Highway Patrol or its approved vendor, and the required application fee. All fees are non-refundable.

4. The required credentials for professional nurse applicants are—

A. A course-by-course evaluation report received directly from a credentials evaluation service approved by the board **or Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools (CGFNS) certificate** and evidence of English-language proficiency. Any of the following is considered evidence of English-language proficiency:

(I) Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) www.toefl.org with a passing score of **five hundred forty** (540) on the paper examination or a passing score of **two hundred seven** (207) for the computerized examination **or a passing score of seventy-six (76) on the Internet-based exam;** or

(II) Test of English for International Communication

(TOEIC) www.toeic.com with a passing score of **seven hundred twenty-five (725)**; or

(III) International English Language Testing System (IELTS) www.ielts.org with a passing score in the academic module of **six and one-half (6.5)** and the Spoken Band score of **seven (7)**.

B. A photostatic copy of birth certificate (if a copy of birth certificate is not available, a copy of baptismal certificate, passport or notarized statement from authorized agency will be accepted as verification of name, date of birth and place of birth);

C. Photostatic copy of original license or certificate issued by the licensing agency where original licensure/registration was secured by examination;

D. Photostatic copy of marriage license/certificate (if applicable); and

E. The completed examination application with the required examination fee, one (1) two-inch by two-inch (2" x 2") portrait/photograph of the applicant, and proof of submission of fingerprints to the Missouri State Highway Patrol's approved vendor for both a Missouri State Highway Patrol and Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint background check. Proof shall consist of any documentation acceptable to the board. Any fees due for fingerprint background check shall be paid by the application directly to the Missouri State Highway Patrol or its approved vendor. All the credentials shall be submitted to the Missouri State Board of Nursing.

[(9) Guidelines for Evaluating Intercountry Transcripts.

(A) An applicant who has secured original licensure outside of the United States and has been licensed by examination in another state, territory or Canada may be licensed in Missouri if the applicant qualifies for licensure by endorsement from that state, territory or Canada under section (4). Each applicant under this section must cause a photostatic copy of a nursing transcript to be provided to the board office, except that RN applicants instead may cause the CGFNS to submit directly to the board office a CGFNS certificate or a course-by-course evaluation report received directly from a credentials evaluation service approved by the board and evidence of English-language proficiency. Any of the following is considered evidence of English-language proficiency:

1. Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) www.toefl.org with a passing score of 540 on the paper examination or a passing score of 207 for the computerized examination; or

2. Test of English for International Communication (TOEIC) www.toeic.com with a passing score of 725; or

3. International English Language Testing System (IELTS) www.ielts.org with a passing score in the academic module of 6.5 and the Spoken Band score of 7.

(B) Guidelines for evaluating intercountry transcripts for professional/practical nurse applicants are the minimum standards for accredited schools in Missouri in effect at the time the candidate originally became licensed by examination in another state, territory or Canada or at the time of application.]

[(10)/(9) Licensure Renewal.

(A) Renewal periods shall be for one (1), two (2), or three (3) years as determined by the board.

(B) The required fee shall be submitted prior to the date the license lapses.

(C) In answer to requests for information regarding an individual's licensure, the staff of the board will verify status and other information as deemed appropriate by the executive director.

[(11)/(10) Inactive Licenses.

(A) Any nurse possessing a current license to practice nursing in Missouri may place that license on inactive status by filing a written

and signed request for inactive status with the board. This request may be accomplished, but need not be, by signing the request for inactive status which appears on the nurse's application for license renewal and returning that application to the board prior to the date the license has lapsed.

(B) Individuals wishing to reactivate licenses after being carried as inactive shall request a Petition for Renewal from the Missouri State Board of Nursing. Fees shall be accepted only if accompanied by a completed Petition for Renewal. Back fees shall not be required for the years the licensee's records were carried as inactive. The Petition for Renewal shall show, under oath or affirmation of the nurse, a statement—

1. That the nurse is not presently practicing nursing in Missouri; and

2. As to whether the nurse did practice nursing while the license was inactive and, if so, how long and where. If the nurse was practicing nursing in Missouri at the time his/her license was inactive, he/she also must submit a notarized statement indicating that he/she ceased working as soon as he/she realized that the license was inactive. In addition, the nurse must cause his/her employer to submit a statement on the employer's letterhead stationery or a notarized statement indicating that the nurse ceased working as soon as he/she realized that the license was inactive.

(C) No person shall practice nursing or hold him/herself out as a nurse in Missouri while his/her license is inactive.

(D) A nurse who petitions for renewal of an inactive license who answers yes to one (1) or more of the questions on the petition which relate to possible grounds for denial of renewal under section 335.066, RSMo, shall submit copies of appropriate documents related to that answer, as requested by the board, before his/her petition will be considered complete. The copies shall be certified if they are records of a court or administrative government agency. If a nurse requesting reinstatement of his/her inactive license is denied by the State Board of Nursing based upon the fact that the nurse is subject to disciplinary action under any provisions of Chapter 335, RSMo, the nurse shall be notified of the statutory right to file a complaint with the Administrative Hearing Commission.

(E) A nurse whose license is inactive for three (3) years or more shall file the petition, documents and fees required in subsection (11)(B). In addition, the nurse may be required to appear before the board personally and demonstrate evidence of current nursing knowledge and may be required to successfully complete an oral or written examination, or both, provided by the board or to present proof of regular licensed nursing practice in other states during that time period.

[(12)/(11) Lapsed Licenses, When—Procedures for Reinstatement.

(A) Pursuant to sections 335.056 and 335.061, RSMo, a license issued by the State Board of Nursing to an RN or LPN is lapsed if the nurse fails to renew that license in a timely fashion. A license renewal is timely if the nurse mails a completed application for renewal, accompanied by the requisite fee, in a properly stamped and addressed envelope, postmarked no later than the expiration date of the nurse's current license. No person shall practice nursing or hold him/herself out as a nurse in Missouri while his/her license is registered with the State Board of Nursing as being lapsed.

(B) A nurse whose license has lapsed in Missouri for fewer than thirty (30) days may obtain renewal of that license by mailing the requisite fee to the proper address and postmarked no later than the thirtieth day of lapse. Satisfactory explanation of the lapse will be presumed. The State Board of Nursing, in its discretion, may not renew the license of any nurse who is subject to disciplinary action under Chapter 335, RSMo, but the board shall advise the nurse of the statutory right to file a complaint with the Administrative Hearing Commission.

(C) A nurse whose license has lapsed in Missouri for thirty (30) days or more, but fewer than three (3) years, must petition the State Board of Nursing for renewal of the license on a form furnished by

the board. Accompanying the petition shall be a late renewal fee and the fee for the current renewal period as outlined in 20 CSR 2200-4.010. If the nurse has practiced nursing in Missouri while the license was lapsed, in order to renew, the licensee must pay the lapsed fee, the renewal fee for each year he/she practiced nursing in Missouri and the fee for the current renewal period. This petition shall show under oath or affirmation of the nurse—

1. A statement that the nurse is not presently practicing nursing in Missouri;

2. A statement as to whether the nurse did practice nursing while the license was lapsed and, if so, how long and where; and

3. If the nurse was practicing nursing in Missouri at the time his/her license was lapsed, he/she must submit a notarized statement indicating that he/she ceased working as soon as he/she realized that the license was lapsed. In addition, the nurse must cause his/her employer to submit a statement on the employer's letterhead stationery or a notarized statement indicating that the nurse ceased working as soon as he/she realized that the license was lapsed.

(D) A nurse whose license is lapsed for three (3) years or more shall file the same petition, documents and fees required in subsection (12)(C). In addition, the nurse may be required to appear before the board personally and demonstrate evidence of current nursing knowledge and may be required to successfully complete an examination provided by the board or by proof of regular licensed nursing practice in other states during that time period.

(E) Upon satisfactory completion of the requirements specified in subsections (12)(B)–(D) which are pertinent to that nurse, the board reserves the right to refuse to reinstate the lapsed license of any nurse, including one who is subject to disciplinary action under any provisions of Chapter 335, RSMo, which includes disciplinary action for practicing nursing without a license while that license is lapsed. A nurse who is petitioning for renewal of a lapsed license who answers yes to one (1) or more of the questions on the petition which relate to possible grounds for denial of renewal under section 335.066, RSMo, shall submit copies of appropriate documents, as requested by the board, related to that answer before his/her petition will be considered complete. The copies shall be certified if they are records of a court or administrative government agency. If a lapsed license is not reinstated, the board shall notify the nurse of the fact and the statutory right to file a complaint with the Administrative Hearing Commission.

(F) If any provision of this rule is declared invalid by a court or agency of competent jurisdiction, the balance of this rule shall remain in full force and effect, severable from the invalid portion.

[(13)](12) Duplicate Licenses. A duplicate license, marked duplicate, may be issued in the event the original becomes lost or destroyed, or if the licensee requests a duplicate license due to a name change. The licensee must notify the Missouri State Board of Nursing and a form will be forwarded for completion and notarization. A fee will be charged for the duplicate.

[(14)](13) Change of Name, Address, or Both.

(A) Original License. The original license may not be altered in any way; it must remain in the name under which it was issued.

(B) Current License.

1. If a change of name has occurred since the issuance of the current license, the licensee must notify the board of the name change in writing. If a duplicate license reflecting the name change is desired, the current license and required fee must be submitted to the board office.

2. If a change of address has occurred since the issuance of the current license, the licensee must notify the board of the address change. No duplicate license will be issued solely to reflect an address change. Each licensee must notify the board of any change in the licensee's mailing address prior to the expiration date of the licensee's current license.

3. Requests for the current license to be sent to a place other than the regular mailing address shall be forwarded to the executive director.

[(15)](14) Retired License Status.

(A) An applicant for renewal of a nurse license who is retired from the profession may apply for a retired license status by completing a form provided by the board.

(B) Retired from the profession means that the licensee does not intend to practice nursing for monetary compensation for at least two (2) years; such person may provide volunteer services.

(C) A licensee may qualify for retired license status provided the licensee:

1. Is retired from the profession;

2. Holds a current, unrestricted, and undisciplined nurse license; and

3. Submits the required form.

(D) Retired license renewal for a professional nurse shall be biennial; occurring on odd-numbered years and the license shall expire on April 30 of each odd-numbered year. Retired license renewal for a practical nurse shall be biennial; occurring on even-numbered years and the license shall expire on May 31 of each even-numbered year.

(E) Individuals wishing to reactivate licenses after being carried as retired shall request a petition for renewal from the board. Fees shall be accepted only if accompanied by a completed petition for renewal. Back fees shall not be required for the years the licensee's records were carried as retired. The petition for renewal shall show, under oath or affirmation of the nurse, a statement:

1. That the nurse is not presently practicing nursing in Missouri for monetary compensation; and

2. As to whether the nurse did practice nursing for monetary compensation while the license was retired and, if so, how long and where. If the nurse was practicing nursing for monetary compensation in Missouri at the time his/her license was retired, s/he also must submit a notarized statement indicating employment dates, employer names and addresses, and an explanation of why the nurse practiced for compensation while the license was retired. In addition, the nurse must cause his/her employer to submit a statement on the employer's letterhead stationery or a notarized statement indicating that the nurse ceased working as soon as s/he realized that the license was retired.

(F) A nurse who petitions for renewal of a retired license, who answers yes to one (1) or more of the questions on the petition which relate to possible grounds for denial of renewal under section 335.066, RSMo, shall submit copies of appropriate documents related to that answer, as requested by the board, before his/her petition will be considered complete. The copies shall be certified if they are records of a court or administrative government agency. If a nurse requesting reinstatement of his/her retired license is denied by the State Board of Nursing based upon the fact that the nurse is subject to disciplinary action under any provisions of Chapter 335, RSMo, the nurse shall be notified of the statutory right to file a complaint with the Administrative Hearing Commission.

AUTHORITY: section 335.036(2) and (7), *RSMo Supp. 2007 and sections 335.046 and 335.051, RSMo 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 200-4.020. Original rule filed Oct. 14, 1981, effective Jan. 14, 1982. For intervening history, please consult the Code of State Regulations. Amended: Filed June 2, 2008.*

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the State Board of Nursing, Lori Scheidt, Executive Director, PO Box 656, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by fax at (573) 751-0075 or via email at nursing@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 2200—State Board of Nursing
Chapter 4—General Rules**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2200-4.100 Advanced Practice Nurse. The board is proposing to amend section (6).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 200 are being amended throughout the rule.

(6) Certifying Body Criteria.

(A) In order to be a certifying body acceptable to the [Missouri] State Board of Nursing for advanced practice nurse status, the certifying body must meet the following criteria—

1. Be national in the scope of its credentialing;
2. Have no requirement for an applicant to be a member of any organization;
3. Have formal requirements that are consistent with the requirements of [4 CSR 200-4.100] **20 CSR 2200-4.100 Advanced Practice Nurse** rule;
4. Have an application process and credential review that includes documentation that the applicant's advanced nursing education, which included theory and practice, is in the advanced practice nursing clinical specialty area being considered for certification;
5. Use psychometrically sound and secure examination instruments based on the scope of practice of the advanced practice nursing clinical specialty area;
6. Issue certification based on passing examination and meeting all other certification requirements;
7. Provide for periodic recertification/maintenance options which include review of qualifications and continued competence; and
8. Have an evaluation process to provide quality assurance in its certification, recertification, and continuing competency components.

AUTHORITY: sections 335.016(2)[, RSMo Supp. 2006] and 335.036, RSMo [2000] Supp. 2007. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 200-4.100. Original rule filed Nov. 15, 1991, effective March 9, 1992. For intervening history, please consult the *Code of State Regulations*. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Board of Nursing, PO Box 656, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by fac-

simile at 573-751-0075, or via email at nursing@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 2200—State Board of Nursing
Chapter 4—General Rules**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2200-4.200 Collaborative Practice. The board is proposing to amend section (2).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 200 are being amended throughout the rule.

(2) Geographic Areas.

(C) An advanced practice nurse who desires to enter into a collaborative practice arrangement to provide health care services that include the diagnosis and treatment of acutely or chronically ill or injured persons at a location where the collaborating physician is not continuously present shall practice at the same location with the collaborating physician for a period of at least one (1) calendar month before the collaborating advanced practice nurse practices at a location where the collaborating physician is not present. The provision of the above specified health care services pursuant to a collaborative practice arrangement shall be limited to only an advanced practice nurse. This provision applies to all collaborative practice arrangements between a physician and an advanced practice nurse unless a waiver is obtained as provided in [4 CSR 200-4.200(2)(D)] **20 CSR 2200-4.200(2)(D)**.

(D) If an advanced practice nurse has been continuously providing health care services pursuant to a collaborative practice arrangement with the same physician for at least one (1) year and the collaborating physician terminates the collaborative practice arrangement with less than thirty (30) days notice for reasons unrelated to the advanced practice nurse, [4 CSR 200-4.200(2)(C)] **20 CSR 2200-4.200(2)(C)** may be waived by the board of nursing and the board of healing arts if the requirement for one (1) calendar month same-site collaboration would result in health care services at the location where the advanced practice nurse practices being discontinued or reduced. The request for the waiver with supporting documentation shall be submitted to the board of nursing or the board of healing arts by the advanced practice nurse or the collaborating physician and shall specify all information necessary for the board of nursing and the board of healing arts to evaluate the request including, but not limited to, the date and reasons for the termination of the collaborative practice arrangement, number of patients affected and plan for a new collaborative practice arrangement.

AUTHORITY: sections 334.104.3[, RSMo Supp. 2002] and 335.036, RSMo [2000] Supp. 2007. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 200-4.200. Original rule filed Jan. 29, 1996, effective Sept. 30, 1996. Amended: Filed April 1, 1998, effective Oct. 30, 1998. Amended: Filed Oct. 30, 2002, effective June 30, 2003. Moved to 20 CSR 2200-4.200, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Board of Nursing, PO Box 656, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-751-0075, or via email at nursing@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
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REGISTRATION**

**Division 2200—State Board of Nursing
Chapter 6—Intravenous Infusion Treatment
Administration**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2200-6.020 Definitions. The board is proposing to amend section (27).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 200 are being amended throughout the rule.

(27) Qualified practical nurses—for the purpose of this chapter, this term includes:

(A) Graduate practical nurses practicing in Missouri within the time frame as defined in [4 CSR 200-4.020(3)] **20 CSR 2200-4.020(3)**;

AUTHORITY: section[s] 335.017, RSMo 2000 and section 335.036, RSMo [2000] Supp. 2007. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 200-6.020. Original rule filed Sept. 1, 2005, effective April 30, 2006. Moved to 20 CSR 2200-6.020, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Board of Nursing, PO Box 656, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-751-0075, or via email at nursing@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION**

**Division 2200—State Board of Nursing
Chapter 6—Intravenous Infusion Treatment
Administration**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2200-6.060 Requirements for Intravenous Therapy Administration Certification. The board is proposing to amend sections (1) through (6).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 200 are being amended throughout the rule.

(1) A practical nurse who is currently licensed to practice in Missouri and who is not Intravenous (IV)-Certified in Missouri can obtain IV-Certification upon the successful completion of a board approved venous access and intravenous infusion treatment modalities course.

(B) Upon receipt of the verification of IV-Certification letter from the board, the licensed practical nurse may engage in practical nursing care acts involving venous access and intravenous infusion treatment modalities as specified in the provisions of section 335.016, RSMo, [4 CSR 200-5.010] **20 CSR 2200-5.010**, and this chapter.

(2) A practical nurse who is currently licensed to practice in another state or territory of the United States, who is an applicant for licensure by endorsement in Missouri and has been issued a temporary permit to practice in Missouri and is not IV-Certified in another state or territory can obtain IV-Certification upon successful completion of a board approved venous access and intravenous infusion treatment modalities course.

(B) Upon receipt of the Verification of IV-Certification letter from the board, the individual may engage in practical nursing care acts involving venous access and intravenous infusion treatment modalities as specified in the provisions of section 335.016, RSMo, [4 CSR 200-5.010] **20 CSR 2200-5.010**, and this chapter.

(3) A practical nurse who is currently licensed to practice in another state or territory of the United States, who is an applicant for licensure by endorsement in Missouri and has been issued a temporary permit to practice in Missouri, and is IV-Certified in another state or territory of the United States, or who has completed a venous access and intravenous infusion treatment modalities course in another state or territory of the United States, can obtain IV-Certification in Missouri by:

(D) Upon receipt of the Verification of IV-Certification letter from the board, the individual may engage in practical nursing care acts involving venous access and intravenous infusion treatment modalities as specified in the provisions of section 335.016, RSMo, [4 CSR 200-5.010] **20 CSR 2200-5.010**, and this chapter;

(4) Individuals who graduated from a board approved practical nursing program after February 28, 1999 are exempt from taking a separate venous access and intravenous infusion treatment modalities course to become IV-Certified.

(A) A graduate of such a practical nursing program may perform the functions and duties related to venous access and intravenous infusion treatment modalities as delineated in [4 CSR 200-6.030] **20 CSR 2200-6.030** until s/he has received the results of the first licensure examination taken by the nurse or until ninety (90) days after graduation, whichever first occurs.

(5) Graduate practical nurses as specified in subsections [4 CSR 200-6.040(2)(C) and (D)] **20 CSR 2200-6.040(2)(C) and (D)** of this chapter who are seeking licensure by examination in Missouri and for whom the board has received confirmation of successful completion of an approved venous access and intravenous infusion treatment modalities course must meet all licensure requirements before a license stating LPN IV-Certified can be issued.

(6) If a qualified licensed practical nurse requests a license stating LPN IV-Certified prior to the next licensure renewal cycle, the procedure for obtaining a duplicate license as stated in [4 CSR 200-4.020(14)] **20 CSR 2200-4.020(14)** shall be followed.

AUTHORITY: section[s] 335.017, **RSMo 2000** and section 335.036, **RSMo [2000] Supp. 2007**. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 200-6.060. Original rule filed Sept. 1, 2005, effective April 30, 2006. Moved to 20 CSR 2200-6.060, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Board of Nursing, PO Box 656, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-751-0075, or via email at nursing@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
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**Division 2233—State Committee of Marital and Family
Therapists
Chapter 1—General Rules**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2233-1.020 Policy for Release of Public Records. The board is proposing to amend section (4).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 233 are being amended throughout the rule.

(4) The division may charge a reasonable fee pursuant to [4 CSR 233-1.040(1)(G) and (K)] **20 CSR 2233-1.040(1)(G) and (K)** for the cost for inspecting and copying the records. Charges and payments of the fees shall be based on the following:

AUTHORITY: section 337.727.1(10), **RSMo [Supp. 1997] 2000**. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 233-1.020. Original rule filed Dec. 31, 1997, effective July 30, 1998. Moved to 20 CSR 2233-1.020, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the State Committee of Marital and Family Therapists, Loree Kessler, Executive Director, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by faxing comments to (573) 751-0735, or by emailing comments to

maritalfam@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION**

**Division 2233—State Committee of Marital and Family
Therapists
Chapter 3—Ethical Standards**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2233-3.010 General Principles. The board is proposing to amend subsection (7)(I).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 233 are being amended throughout the rule.

(7) The therapist providing marital and family therapy as defined in section 337.700(7), **RSMo [Cum. Supp. 1997]** shall maintain client records that include:

(I) Informed consent as defined in [4 CSR 233-3.020(1)(A)–(H)] **20 CSR 2233-3.020(1)(A)–(H)**.

AUTHORITY: sections 337.727.1(6) and (10) and 337.730.2(15), **RSMo [Supp. 1997] 2000**. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 233-3.010. Original rule filed Dec. 31, 1997, effective July 30, 1998. Moved to 20 CSR 2233-3.010, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the State Committee of Marital and Family Therapists, Loree Kessler, Executive Director, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by faxing comments to (573) 751-0735, or by emailing comments to maritalfam@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION**

**Division 2245—Real Estate Appraisers
Chapter 3—Applications for Certification and Licensure**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2245-3.005 Trainee Real Estate Appraiser Registration. The board is proposing to amend paragraph (5)(B)1.

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the version of the USPAP that the board utilizes.

(5) Training.

(B) The supervising appraiser(s) shall be responsible for the training, guidance, and direct supervision of the registrant by:

1. Accepting responsibility for the appraisal report by signing and certifying that the report complies with the *Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice*, [USPAP], [2006] 2008 Edition. The USPAP, [2006] 2008 Edition, is incorporated herein by reference and can be obtained from The Appraisal Foundation, 1155 15th Street NW, Suite 1111, Washington, DC 20005, by calling (202) 347-7722, or at www.appraisalfoundation.org.

2. Reviewing and signing the appraisal report(s) for which the registrant has provided appraisal services; and

3. Personally inspecting each appraised property with the registrant until the supervising appraiser determines the registrant trainee is competent, in accordance with the competency rule of USPAP.

AUTHORITY: section 339.509(8), RSMo 2000. Original rule filed Nov. 21, 2006, effective July 30, 2007. Amended: Filed Nov. 15, 2007, effective May 30, 2008. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Real Estate Appraisers Commission, Vanessa Beauchamp, Executive Director, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by faxing comments to (573) 751-0038, or by emailing comments to reacom@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 2270—Missouri Veterinary Medical Board
Chapter 1—General Rules**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2270-1.040 Name and Address Changes. The board is proposing to amend section (2).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 270 are being amended throughout the rule.

(2) A licensee/registrant whose name is changed, within sixty (60) days of the effective change, shall—

(B) Pay the name change fee prescribed in [4 CSR 270-1.021] **20 CSR 2270-1.021**;

AUTHORITY: section 340.210, RSMo [Supp. 1993] 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 270-1.040. Original rule filed Nov. 4, 1992, effective July 8, 1993. Moved to 20 CSR 2270-1.040, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Veterinary Medical Board, PO Box 633, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-526-3856, or via email at vets@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 2270—Missouri Veterinary Medical Board
Chapter 1—General Rules**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2270-1.050 Renewal Procedures. The board is proposing to amend sections (2) through (5).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 270 are being amended throughout the rule.

(2) Renewal of an Active or Inactive License/Certificate of Registration.

(A) In order for a veterinarian to renew an active or inactive license, the licensee shall submit the following to the board office prior to the expiration date of the license:

1. A completed and signed renewal application, which shall certify that the licensee has completed the required number of approved continuing education credits in accordance with [4 CSR 270-4.042] **20 CSR 2270-4.042**; and

2. The appropriate renewal fee.

(B) In order for a veterinary technician to renew the active or inactive certificate of registration, the licensee shall submit the following to the board office prior to the expiration date of the registration:

1. A completed and signed renewal application, which has been signed by the supervising veterinarian and certifies that the licensee has completed the required number of approved continuing education credits in accordance with [4 CSR 270-4.050] **20 CSR 2270-4.050**; and

2. The appropriate renewal fee.

(3) Restoration of a Noncurrent License/Certificate of Registration.

(A) Any veterinarian whose license has been declared noncurrent under section 340.262, RSMo and who wishes to restore the license shall make application to the board by submitting the following within two (2) years of the license renewal date:

1. An application for renewal of licensure;

2. The current renewal fee and all delinquent renewal fees as set forth in [4 CSR 270-1.021] **20 CSR 2270-1.021**;

3. The penalty fee as set forth in [4 CSR 270-1.021] **20 CSR 2270-1.021**; and

4. Certification of completion of the required number of approved continuing education credits in accordance with [4 CSR 270-4.042] **20 CSR 2270-4.042**.

(4) Inactive License/Certificate of Registration.

(B) In order for a veterinarian to activate an inactive license, the licensee shall submit to the board office:

1. The renewal application, which shall certify that the licensee

has completed the required continuing education credits in accordance with [4 CSR 270-4.042] 20 CSR 2270-4.042;

2. The balance of the active renewal fee; and
3. The license stamped "Inactive."

(C) In order for a veterinary technician to activate an inactive registration, the licensee shall submit to the board office:

1. The renewal application which shall certify that the licensee has completed the required continuing education credits in accordance with [4 CSR 270-4.050] 20 CSR 2270-4.050;
2. The balance of the active renewal fee;
3. The license stamped "Inactive"; and
4. Verification of current employment under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian.

(5) Retired License/Certificate of Registration.

(B) If a retired veterinarian decides to again practice veterinary medicine, s/he must submit to the board office a completed renewal application which shall certify that the licensee has completed the required continuing education credits in accordance with [4 CSR 270-4.042] 20 CSR 2270-4.042 and the current renewal fee. The board will issue an active license which shall be effective until the next regular renewal date. No penalty fee shall apply. If it has been more than two (2) years since the retirement affidavit was submitted, evidence of ten (10) hours of continuing education for each year of retirement must be submitted with the renewal application. The board reserves the right pursuant to section 340.268, RSMo to direct any such applicant to take an examination(s) to reactivate his/her license.

(C) If a retired veterinary technician decides to again practice veterinary medicine, s/he shall submit to the board office a completed renewal application along with the current renewal fee. The renewal application shall verify current employment under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian and certify completion of the required number of approved continuing education credits in accordance with [4 CSR 270-4.050] 20 CSR 2270-4.050. The board will issue an active registration which shall be effective until the next regular renewal date. No penalty fee shall apply. The board reserves the right pursuant to section 340.268, RSMo to direct any such applicant to take an examination(s) to reactivate his/her registration.

AUTHORITY: sections 340.210, 340.258, 340.314, 340.322, 340.324, and 340.326, RSMo 2000 and sections 340.262, 340.312, and 340.320, RSMo Supp. [2005] 2007. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 270-1.050. Original rule filed Nov. 4, 1992, effective July 8, 1993. Amended: Filed April 14, 1994, effective Sept. 30, 1994. Rescinded and readopted: Filed April 13, 2001, effective Oct. 30, 2001. Amended: Filed Dec. 1, 2005, effective June 30, 2006. Moved to 20 CSR 2270-1.050, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed Aug. 11, 2006, effective Jan. 30, 2007. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Veterinary Medical Board, PO Box 633, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-526-3856, or via email at vets@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 2270—Missouri Veterinary Medical Board
Chapter 1—General Rules**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2270-1.060 Public Records. The board is proposing to amend section (3).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 270 are being amended throughout the rule.

(3) When a party requests copies of the records, the board may collect the appropriate fee for costs for inspecting and copying the records and may require payment of the fee prior to making the records available (see [4 CSR 270-1.021] 20 CSR 2270-1.021).

AUTHORITY: section 340.210, RSMo [Supp. 1992,] 2000 and sections 610.023 and 610.026, RSMo Supp. [1987] 2007. This rule was originally filed as 4 CSR 270-1.030. This rule previously filed as 4 CSR 270-1.060. Original rule filed Aug. 5, 1991, effective Feb. 6, 1992. Amended: Filed Nov. 4, 1992, effective July 8, 1993. Moved to 20 CSR 2270-1.060, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Veterinary Medical Board, PO Box 633, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-526-3856, or via email at vets@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION
Division 2270—Missouri Veterinary Medical Board
Chapter 2—Licensure Requirements for Veterinarians**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2270-2.051 Licensure (Exception). The board is proposing to amend section (1).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 270 are being amended throughout the rule.

(1) Faculty members at an American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA)-accredited college or university who are AVMA board-certified but did not graduate from an AVMA-accredited college of

veterinary medicine may apply to the board for a veterinary license under the following conditions:

(A) Achieving a passing score as defined in [4 CSR 270-2.031] **20 CSR 2270-2.031** on the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE) and Missouri State Board examinations; and

AUTHORITY: sections 340.210, 340.216, and 340.230, RSMo 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 270-2.051. Original rule filed Nov. 4, 1992, effective July 8, 1993. Amended: Filed April 1, 2003, effective Sept. 30, 2003. Moved to 20 CSR 2270-2.051, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Veterinary Medical Board, PO Box 633, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-526-3856, or via email at vets@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
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**Division 2270—Missouri Veterinary Medical Board
Chapter 2—Licensure Requirements for Veterinarians**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2270-2.060 Reciprocity. The board is proposing to amend section (3).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 270 are being amended throughout the rule.

(3) The applicant shall—

(A) Complete an application form provided by the board (see [4 CSR 270-1.031] **20 CSR 2270-1.031**) which shall include a complete listing of all locations of all previous places of practice and licensure in chronological order;

(C) Request the licensing authority in each state in which the applicant has ever been licensed to submit a Verification Request Form (see [4 CSR 270-1.031] **20 CSR 2270-1.031**) which is available from the board;

AUTHORITY: sections 340.210 and 340.238, RSMo 2000 and section 340.234, RSMo Supp. 2007. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 270-2.060. Original rule filed Nov. 4, 1992, effective July 8, 1993. Amended: Filed Oct. 10, 1995, effective April 30, 1996. Amended: Filed July 31, 2000, effective Jan. 30, 2001. Moved to 20 CSR 2270-2.060, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed Oct. 30, 2007, effective April 30, 2008. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Veterinary Medical Board, PO Box 633, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-526-3856, or via email at vets@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATION**

**Division 2270—Missouri Veterinary Medical Board
Chapter 3—Registration Requirements for Veterinary
Technicians**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2270-3.030 Reciprocity. The board is proposing to amend section (2).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 270 are being amended throughout the rule.

(2) The applicant shall—

(D) Request the national testing service to send evidence that the applicant has taken the Veterinary Technician National Examination (VTNE) and received a passing score as defined in [4 CSR 270-3.020] **20 CSR 2270-3.020**.

AUTHORITY: sections 340.210[, 340.234,] and 340.238, [and 340.306,] RSMo 2000 and sections 340.234 and 340.306, RSMo Supp. 2007. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 270-3.030. Original rule filed Nov. 4, 1992, effective July 8, 1993. Amended: Filed March 10, 1995, effective Sept. 30, 1995. Amended: Filed April 13, 2001, effective Oct. 30, 2001. Moved to 20 CSR 2270-3.030, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Veterinary Medical Board, PO Box 633, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-526-3856, or via email at vets@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
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**Division 2270—Missouri Veterinary Medical Board
Chapter 5—Veterinary Facilities Permits**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR [270]2270-5.021 Veterinary Facility Self-Inspection Procedures. The board is proposing to amend section (2).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 270 are being amended throughout the rule.

(2) The self-inspection form (see [4 CSR 270-5.011] **20 CSR 2270-5.011**) is available from the executive director, Missouri Veterinary Medical Board, P.O. Box 633, Jefferson City, MO 65102.

AUTHORITY: sections 340.210 and 340.264, RSMo [Supp. 1992] 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 270-5.021. Original rule filed Nov. 4, 1992, effective July 8, 1993. Moved to 20 CSR 2270-5.021, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Veterinary Medical Board, PO Box 633, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-526-3856, or via email at vets@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,
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**Division 2270—Missouri Veterinary Medical Board
Chapter 5—Veterinary Facilities Permits**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2270-5.041 Temporary Continuance of Veterinary Practice Upon Death of Owner. The board is proposing to amend section (2).

PURPOSE: Pursuant to Executive Order 06-04, the Division of Professional Registration was transferred from the Department of Economic Development, Title 4, to the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Title 20. Therefore, references to 4 CSR 270 are being amended throughout the rule.

(2) The unlicensed owner shall provide the Veterinary Medical Board with written notice of the veterinarian in charge in accordance with [4 CSR 270-5.011(6)] **20 CSR 2270-5.011(6)**. The thirty (30)-day time period may be extended upon written petition to the board.

AUTHORITY: sections 340.210 and 340.264, RSMo 2000. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 270-5.041. Original rule filed March 10, 1995, effective Sept. 30, 1995. Moved to 20 CSR 2270-5.041, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed Oct. 30, 2007, effective April 30, 2008. Amended: Filed June 27, 2008.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Veterinary Medical Board, PO Box 633, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at 573-526-3856, or via email at vets@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.

This section will contain the final text of the rules proposed by agencies. The order of rulemaking is required to contain a citation to the legal authority upon which the order of rulemaking is based; reference to the date and page or pages where the notice of proposed rulemaking was published in the *Missouri Register*; an explanation of any change between the text of the rule as contained in the notice of proposed rulemaking and the text of the rule as finally adopted, together with the reason for any such change; and the full text of any section or subsection of the rule as adopted which has been changed from that contained in the notice of proposed rulemaking. The effective date of the rule shall be not less than thirty (30) days after the date of publication of the revision to the *Code of State Regulations*.

The agency is also required to make a brief summary of the general nature and extent of comments submitted in support of or opposition to the proposed rule and a concise summary of the testimony presented at the hearing, if any, held in connection with the rulemaking, together with a concise summary of the agency's findings with respect to the merits of any such testimony or comments which are opposed in whole or in part to the proposed rule. The ninety (90)-day period during which an agency shall file its order of rulemaking for publication in the *Missouri Register* begins either: 1) after the hearing on the proposed rulemaking is held; or 2) at the end of the time for submission of comments to the agency. During this period, the agency shall file with the secretary of state the order of rulemaking, either putting the proposed rule into effect, with or without further changes, or withdrawing the proposed rule.

**Title 2—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Division 70—Plant Industries
Chapter 40—Missouri Treated Timber Products
Law Rules**

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Department of Agriculture under section 280.050, RSMo 2000, the director amends a rule as follows:

2 CSR 70-40.015 is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 17, 2008 (33 MoReg 627-628). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: Comments were accepted from March 17 through April 16, 2008. The Missouri Department of Agriculture received written comments from the Merichem Chemicals & Refinery Service, Universal Forest Products, Osmose, Inc., Arch Chemical, and the American Wood Protection Association.

COMMENT #1: Merichem Chemicals & Refinery Service, American Wood Protection Association, and Osmose, Inc. stated that the address listed for the American Wood Protection Association (AWPA) was no longer in Selma, Alabama, but rather in Birmingham, Alabama.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: Suggestion noted, and AWPA contact information will be changed to reflect the

correct address.

COMMENT #2: Universal Forest Products, American Wood Protection Association, and Osmose, Inc. stated that the "International Code Council (ICC)" reference should be changed to "International Code Council Evaluation Service (ICC-ES)."

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: Suggestion noted, and recommended change will be made to reference "ICC-ES."

COMMENT #3: Universal Forest Products, American Wood Protection Association, and Osmose, Inc. stated that the reference to the AWPA Appendix A should be eliminated.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: Suggestion noted, and recommended change will be made to the language.

COMMENT #4: Universal Forest Products and Osmose, Inc. suggested that the department consider referencing the ICC Evaluation Service as an acceptable alternative in section (2) of 2 CSR 70-40.015.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: Suggestion noted, and reference to the ICC Evaluation Service will be added to section (2) of 2 CSR 70-40.015.

COMMENT #5: Universal Forest Products recommended that the department consider the following requests: 1) Suggested that department should adopt an exemption for all treated wood products that do not conform to AWPA or Evaluation Service Reports (ESR) standards, similar to the exemption currently in place for peeler core landscape timbers; 2) Suggested that the department should require hardwood products treated to less than AWPA or ESR standards to possess labels that contained language warning consumers that these products do not conform to AWPA standards and should not be used for structural purposes; and 3) Stated that the AWPA standardizes wood preservatives but does not "approve" wood preservatives and suggested that we remove the word "approve" from rule.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: 1) The department disagrees that peeler core exemption should be extended to ALL treated wood products. If suggestion was followed, businesses would essentially be able to avoid AWPA or ESR standards by simply putting a disclaimer tag on the product; 2) The department feels that since these particular products are listed to a "specific" retention level, as required by rule, the current label language is adequate; and 3) Suggestion noted, and recommended change will be made to remove the word "approve."

COMMENT #6: Osmose, Inc. recommended the following changes: 1) Opposes the establishment of a minimum copper azole standard for hardwood products; and 2) Consider referencing the ICC Evaluation Service as an acceptable alternative in section (4) of 2 CSR 70-40.015.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: 1) Since Missouri has established minimum treating standards for certain hardwood products treated with a variety of different wood preservatives, it is felt that the treating standard is needed to maintain consistency. Currently, these products are being treated and sold in Missouri with no accountability other than a disclaimer tag. Without a minimum treating standard, these particular products are unable to be regulated; and 2) Suggestion noted, and reference to the ICC Evaluation Service will be added to sections (3) and (4) of 2 CSR 70-40.015.

COMMENT #7: Arch Chemical recommended the following changes: 1) Suggested changing the word "solutions" in subsection (1)(A) to the word "systems"; 2) Suggested inserting the word "valid" in front of the word "ESR" in subsection (1)(A); and 3)

Recommended that subsection (1)(A) be modified to allow wood preservatives that have valid research reports other than those issued by the International Code Council "if" the product conforms to Appendix A of the AWP standards.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: 1) Suggestion noted, and the word "systems" will be added to the language in subsection (1)(A); 2) The department intends to use the phrase "approved, current evaluation report" which implies that the report must be "valid"; and 3) The department feels that only wood preservatives that have been standardized by AWP or evaluated by the ICC-ES should be allowed to be sold to consumers.

COMMENT #8: The American Wood Protection Association recommended the following changes: 1) Suggested that the Internet URL for AWP included with association address; 2) Suggested that ALL wood products not treated in accordance with AWP standards be labeled "Does not conform to AWP Standards"; and 3) Raised a question regarding how the department would determine conformance with the ESR since only the ICC-ES, the report holder, the wood treater, and the monitoring third-party inspection agency have access to the quality control manual.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: 1) Suggestion noted, and the internet URL will be added to the contact information for the AWP; 2) Since the department has accepted the ICC-ES as a viable alternative to AWP standardization, and since current exemptions in the law call for specific retention requirements on certain hardwood products, the department feels that additional language is unnecessary; and 3) It is felt that the AWP has pointed out an important issue, and the department intends to begin requesting copies of quality control manuals or specifically, the portion of the manual dealing with analytical methods, sampling protocol, or any other pertinent information that would allow the department to ensure compliance with the law.

2 CSR 70-40.015 Standards for Treated Timber

(1) Unless otherwise noted, all wood preservatives, preservative solutions, and preservative systems used shall be standardized by the American Wood Protection Association (AWP) and listed in the current *AWP Book of Standards*, published annually in May as incorporated by reference in this rule. This material may be obtained by contacting the AWP at PO Box 361784, Birmingham, AL 35236-1784, by visiting the Uniform Resource Locator of the AWP at www.awp.com, or by contacting the Missouri Department of Agriculture at PO Box 630, Jefferson City, MO 65101. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

(A) Standards for wood preservatives, preservative solutions, or preservative systems established by virtue of an approved, current evaluation report issued by the International Code Council Evaluation Service (ICC-ES) shall constitute an acceptable alternative to AWP listing. Evaluation Service Reports (ESR) or National Evaluation Reports (NER) are available by visiting the Uniform Resource Locator of the ICC at www.icc-es.org.

(2) Standards for Treatment of Coniferous, Softwood Species. The requirements for retention and penetration of wood preservatives used shall not be less than the current *American Wood Protection Association Book of Standards*, published annually in May, as incorporated by reference in this rule, except that—

(B) Softwood peeler core landscape timbers shall be exempted from meeting AWP standards, if each individual timber possesses a label or end tag that states the following, "Does not conform to AWP Standards, not recommended for structural purposes." If these commodities are not labeled with this particular language, AWP requirements for retention and penetration will be enforced.

(C) Standards for retention and penetration established by virtue of an approved, current evaluation report issued by the International

Code Council Evaluation Service (ICC-ES) shall constitute an acceptable alternative to AWP listing.

(D) All products as defined by this rule shall be labeled with a tag in accordance to the following requirements:

1. Tags shall remain attached at each point of sale and may only be removed by the final purchaser;
2. Each tag shall be placed on the surface of each product so that it is readily visible to the purchaser;
3. Each tag shall be legible; and
4. Tags shall be constructed of water resistant material.

(3) Standards for Treatment of Deciduous, Hardwood Species. The requirements for retention and penetration of wood preservatives used shall not be less than the current *American Wood Protection Association Book of Standards*, published annually in May, as incorporated by reference in this rule, except that—

(D) The minimum net retention for water-borne copper azole in the treatment of hardwoods, other than white oak, shall be 0.10 pounds per cubic foot (pcf). White oak shall be treated to refusal;

(E) All hardwood posts, lumber, and timbers treated under the exemptions listed shall be labeled with a tag indicating the retention level of the product. An example of proper labeling for penta treated hardwoods is the following: "Red oak treated to retention level of 0.20 pcf, white oak treated to refusal.";

(F) Hardwoods not listed in the *AWP Use Category Tables* as "treatable species" shall be labeled, "Does not conform to AWP Standards." Furthermore, products that fall under this classification and are intended for ground contact use shall also include the statement, "Not recommended for structural purposes.";

(G) Standards for retention and penetration established by virtue of an approved, current evaluation report issued by the International Code Council Evaluation Service (ICC-ES) shall constitute an acceptable alternative to AWP listing; and

(H) All products as defined by this rule shall be labeled with a tag in accordance to the following requirements:

1. Tags shall remain attached at each point of sale and may only be removed by the final purchaser;
2. Each tag shall be placed on the surface of each product so that it is readily visible to the purchaser;
3. Each tag shall be legible; and
4. Tags shall be constructed of water resistant material.

(4) Other Treatment Standards. All other standards for treatment of timber or timber products with preservatives not covered by 2 CSR 70-40.015 shall not be less than the current *American Wood Protection Association Book of Standards*, published annually in May as incorporated by reference in this rule, except that—

(A) Other alternative standards for wood preservatives established by virtue of an approved, current evaluation report issued by the International Code Council Evaluation Service (ICC-ES) shall constitute an acceptable alternative to AWP listing.

Title 2—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Division 70—Plant Industries Chapter 40—Missouri Treated Timber Products Law Rules

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Department of Agriculture under section 280.050, RSMo 2000, the director adopts a rule as follows:

2 CSR 70-40.017 Preservatives Required to be Registered Pesticides is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 17, 2008 (33

MoReg 628). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: Comments were accepted from March 17 through April 16, 2008. The Missouri Department of Agriculture received written comments from the American Wood Protection Association.

COMMENT: The American Wood Protection Association (AWPA) stated that this new rule is similar to an AWPA requirement currently in place and did not request any change in the proposed language. RESPONSE: The department appreciates the AWPA's effort to ensure that all wood preservatives are registered with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prior to standardizing the product.

Title 2—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Division 70—Plant Industries
Chapter 40—Missouri Treated Timber Products
Law Rules

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Department of Agriculture under section 280.050, RSMo 2000, the director amends a rule as follows:

2 CSR 70-40.025 is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 17, 2008 (33 MoReg 628-629). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: Comments were accepted from March 17 through April 16, 2008. The Missouri Department of Agriculture received written comments from Universal Forest Products, Osmose, Inc., Missouri Forest Products Association, and the American Wood Protection Association.

COMMENT #1: Universal Forest Products and Osmose, Inc. both recommended that the department consider the following requests: 1) Section (1) should allow for inspection procedures in accordance with an Evaluation Service Report (ESR); 2) Section (2) should allow for sampling and quality control procedures in accordance with an ESR; and 3) Section (3) should allow for analysis methods in accordance with an ESR.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: 1) Suggestion noted, and recommended language shall be added to reflect products treated in accordance to an ESR; 2) Suggestion noted, and recommended language shall be added to reflect products treated in accordance to an ESR; and 3) Suggestion noted, and recommended language shall be added to reflect products treated in accordance to an ESR.

COMMENT #2: The Missouri Forest Products Association recommended that the department provide a definition page in association with the rule to help explain terms in the rule such as "ESR" and "service sample."

RESPONSE: The department agrees that it would be a good idea to include a definition page in the rule section of the Missouri Treated Timber Law and will begin work on a new proposed rule that will help define the terms used throughout the rules.

COMMENT #3: Osmose, Inc. and the American Wood Protection Association (AWPA) both stated that the address listed for the AWPA was no longer in Selma, Alabama, but rather in Birmingham, Alabama.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: Suggestion noted, and AWPA contact information will be changed to reflect the correct address.

2 CSR 70-40.025 Standards for Inspection, Sampling and Analyses

(1) Unless otherwise noted, standards for inspection procedures shall be in accordance with the current *American Wood Protection Association (AWPA) Book of Standards*, published annually in May, as incorporated by reference in this rule. This material may be obtained by contacting the AWPA at PO Box 361784, Birmingham, AL 35236-1784, by visiting the Uniform Resource Locator of the AWPA at www.awpa.com, or by contacting the Missouri Department of Agriculture at PO Box 630, Jefferson City, MO 65101.

(A) When inspection procedures have been altered for products treated to an Evaluation Service Report (ESR) or National Evaluation Report (NER), the wood treater shall provide a summary of the relevant changes to the department with appropriate documentation. The department shall then assess the products based on those changes.

(2) Unless otherwise noted, standards for sampling and quality control procedures shall be in accordance with the current *American Wood Protection Association (AWPA) Book of Standards*, published annually in May, as incorporated by reference in this rule.

(A) Where these sampling and quality control procedures have been altered for products treated to an Evaluation Service Report (ESR) or National Evaluation Report (NER), the wood treater shall provide a summary of the relevant changes to the department with appropriate documentation. The department shall then assess the products based on those changes.

(B) Any core samples taken during an inspection shall consist of one (1) lot. A lot for inspection at the treating plant will normally be a retort charge. A lot for inspection at plant storage yards or at sales yards where the final purchase has not been made shall be that material available at the time and place of inspection which contains products from any one (1) treating plant and shall contain only one (1) species and one (1) preservative treatment. Lumber, plywood, and posts shall not be mixed in one (1) inspection lot.

(C) "Regulatory" samples will be collected from a minimum of two (2) units or bundles of treated material, however, "service" samples may be collected from any quantity of material available during the inspection.

(D) Hardwood species treated with pentachlorophenol or creosote covered under 2 CSR 70-40.015(2)(A)-(D) will be analyzed for retention by assay.

(E) Effective March 30, 2003, all treated timber producers will be required to maintain an eighty percent (80%) compliance rating. Samples will be taken from a minimum of two (2) units or bundles of treated material. After ten (10) samples have been taken from separate lots, compliance rates will be calculated. Every effort will be made to ensure that separate lots are sampled, however, if bundles are not marked with a lot number or if the treater is unsure of the lot number, samples will simply be taken from available material of the same dimensions, treated by the same treater with the same preservative. If a producer has three (3) or more stop sales based on either retention or penetration failures within these ten (10) samples, the producer will be contacted and informed that if an eighty percent (80%) compliance rating is not met after an additional ten (10) samples have been taken, the director or his/her representative will hold a hearing to determine if the producer's license should be suspended or revoked. If it is determined that the producer has not made a good faith effort to gain compliance, the director may suspend or revoke

the license of the treated timber producer as provided under section 280.040, RSMo.

(3) Unless otherwise noted, standards for methods of analysis for wood preservatives shall be in accordance with the current *American Wood Protection Association (AWPA) Book of Standards*, published annually in May, as incorporated by reference in this rule.

(A) Where these analysis methods have been altered for products treated to an Evaluation Service Report (ESR) or National Evaluation Report (NER), the wood treater shall provide a summary of the relevant changes to the department with appropriate documentation. The department shall then assess the products based on those changes.

**Title 2—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Division 70—Plant Industries
Chapter 40—Missouri Treated Timber Products
Law Rules**

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Department of Agriculture under section 280.050, RSMo 2000, the director amends a rule as follows:

2 CSR 70-40.040 is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 17, 2008 (33 MoReg 629-630). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: Comments were accepted from March 17 through April 16, 2008. The Missouri Department of Agriculture received written comments from Universal Forest Products, Massie Pole Yard, Sentinel Industries, and the American Wood Protection Association.

COMMENT #1: Universal Forest Products recommended that the department consider changing the minimum size requirements on labels from one-half inch (1/2") in diameter to one-half inch (1/2") in width and length.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: Suggestion noted, and the department agrees that this change is needed. The word "diameter" will be stricken and replaced with the words "width and length."

COMMENT #2: Massie Pole Yard felt that requiring companies to tag all of their treated material would result in increased cost and increased labor and feared that labels would be lost during transit of treated material to retail and wholesale facilities.

RESPONSE: The department acknowledges that there will be a nominal cost in purchasing end tags, however, seventy-two (72) out of seventy-four (74) wood treating companies are currently using end tags. It is felt that hammerstamps fail to inform the consumer who treated the material, what type of wood preservative was used, and what level of treatment was applied. It is also felt that the amount of time required to apply end tags should be equal to the amount of time required to apply hammerstamps.

COMMENT #3: Sentinel Industries made the following observations: 1) Supports requiring all wood treaters to tag treated wood products; 2) Believes that some of the companies currently using hammerstamps are not applying them as required by law; and 3) States that hammerstamps fail to inform the consumer of crucial information regarding the treatment of the product.

RESPONSE: The department agrees with all comments submitted by

Sentinel Industries and believes the elimination of hammerstamps will enhance consumer awareness regarding treated wood products purchased.

COMMENT #4: The American Wood Protection Association (AWPA) suggested that ALL wood preservatives not treated in accordance with AWPA standards be labeled "Does not conform to AWPA Standards, not recommended for structural use."

RESPONSE: Since the Department has accepted that the International Code Council Evaluation Service (ICC-ES) is a viable alternative to AWPA standardization, additional end tag language is felt to be unnecessary.

COMMENT #5: During staff review of the rule, it was noticed that the word "all" should be added to the beginning of section (5).

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The suggested change will be made.

2 CSR 70-40.040 Branding of Treated Timber

(2) All end tags shall be registered with the director of agriculture.

(3) All commercial product brands shall be registered with the director of agriculture and shall not be identical to nor closely resemble any other company's brand or brands registered with the director of agriculture.

(4) All end tags used under this regulation shall not be less than one-half inch (1/2") in width and length.

(5) All end tags must possess the following requirements:

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Department of Agriculture under section 280.050, RSMo 2000, the director amends a rule as follows:

2 CSR 70-40.055 is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 17, 2008 (33 MoReg 630). This proposed rescission is withdrawn, and the rule is amended. Changes have been made to the text of the rule, so it is reprinted here. The rule is amended and becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: Comments were accepted from March 17 through April 16, 2008. The Missouri Department of Agriculture received written comments from the Treated Wood Council, Missouri Forest Products Association, and the American Wood Protection Association.

COMMENT #1: The Treated Wood Council recommended that the department drop its proposal to rescind the rule and re-propose the rule by amending it to remove the exemption for products sold for "outside exposure situations," thus making the rule a prohibition on the sale or distribution of ALL wood products similar in appearance to treated timber.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: Suggestion is noted, and the rule will be amended to eliminate the exemption for "outside exposure situations." By the elimination of this language, the rule will prohibit the sale or distribution of ALL wood products

similar in appearance to treated timber.

COMMENT #2: The Missouri Forest Products Association opposes the rescission of this rule.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: Opposition is noted, and the rule will be modified rather than eliminated entirely to prohibit the sale or distribution of ALL wood products similar in appearance to treated timber.

COMMENT #3: The American Wood Protection Association suggested that the rescission of the rule in its entirety could make it difficult for consumers or end users to distinguish between “dip-treated” products from pressure-treated products.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: Opposition is noted, and the rule will be modified rather than eliminated entirely to prohibit the sale or distribution of ALL wood products similar in appearance to treated timber.

2 CSR 70-40.055 Sale or Distribution of Wood Products Similar in Appearance to Treated Timber—Identification—Penalties

(1) The sale of wood products to which nonpreservative solutions have been applied, such as used motor oil, diesel fuel, and tar solutions, green or brown stains, or any other solutions similar in appearance to acceptable wood preservatives, but not recognized as such under 2 CSR 70-40.015(1) of this law, is prohibited.

(2) Violation of this rule shall be considered prima facie evidence of violation of the Merchandising Practices Act, Chapter 407, RSMo and shall subject the violator to all its enforcement provisions.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 33—Service and Billing Practices for Telecommunications Companies

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Public Service Commission under sections 386.250, 392.185(9), 392.470, and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission amends a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-33.160 is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 3, 2008 (33 MoReg 522-525). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The public comment period ended April 2, 2008 and a public hearing on the proposed amendment was held April 3, 2008. Timely written comments were received from Missouri Telecommunications Industry Association (MTIA), AT&T Companies, Missouri Cable Telecommunications Association (MCTA), XO Communications Services, Inc., MCImetro Access Transmission Services LLC d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services and MCI Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Business Services (collectively Verizon), and the staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (staff). MCTA concurred with and adopted all comments of MTIA. At the hearing, Walt Cecil, Natelle Dietrich, John VanEschen, and Shelley Syler Brueggemann testified on behalf of staff, Leo Bub testified on behalf of AT&T, and John Idoux testified on behalf of Embark. The testimony and comments generally supported the adoption of the amendments with certain modifications and both opponents and supporters of the amendments

made specific recommendations for changes in the language and operation of the rule. Comments were made by XO concerning rule provisions that are not subject of this rulemaking proceeding; they are not addressed in this order.

COMMENT #1: Staff generally supports the proposed amendments, with only a few suggested revisions as described below, and recommends the commission approve these revisions in order to more closely align the current Missouri customer proprietary network information (CPNI) rules with the FCC’s recent rule modifications to secure CPNI.

AT&T maintains that the federal rules provide sufficient protection and therefore separate state CPNI rules are unnecessary. However, AT&T concedes that the FCC does allow states to create rules that protect CPNI, as long as they do not conflict with federal requirements.

RESPONSE: No change is required by this comment.

COMMENT #2: XO raises general concerns with the current language of 4 CSR 240-33.160(3)(A)1., 2., and 3., as beyond the FCC’s rules and that they would impair XO’s Indirect Channel. However, as staff notes in its comments, telecommunications companies are already required to comply with these provisions. Staff also points out that the few changes made to the language of Missouri’s existing CPNI rule are to comport with FCC rule modifications to limit release to joint venture partners and independent contractors.

RESPONSE: No change is required by this comment.

COMMENT #3: The proposed amendment defines breach as “(C) Breach has occurred when a person, without authorization or exceeding authorization, has gained access to, used, or disclosed CPNI.” AT&T and MTIA raise concern about the deletion or omission of the word “intentionally” in the commission’s proposed definition from the FCC rule’s definition of breach, at 47 CFR section 64.2011(e). They assert that this creates inconsistent standards and, as a result, an employee’s inadvertent access or access beyond their authority would be considered a reportable breach under Missouri’s rules, but not the FCC’s rules. AT&T also comments that deletion of the word “intentionally” significantly expands the scope of what constitutes a breach and materially changes the FCC’s intent. Finally, AT&T asserts that this change will require carriers to develop and implement special procedures to report the inadvertent errors that occasionally occur, incurring significant time and cost, while increasing staff’s burden to manage such new reports.

Staff commented that all improper disclosures, even if unintentionally released, could nonetheless result in harm to customers and therefore the commission has an interest in being informed of such breaches. However, staff, at the hearing, decided not to further oppose insertion of the word “intentionally” to conform to the FCC’s definition of breach.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: As the commission will require annual reporting instead of requiring a report after a breach occurs, the proposed definition of breach will not be included.

COMMENT #4: The internal reference to “(1)(J)” be changed to “(1)(K)” to correctly reflect the renumbering of the subsections as a result of the rulemaking.

RESPONSE: With the removal of the definition of breach, this change is no longer necessary.

COMMENT #5: Staff comments that the FCC recently limited the release of CPNI to a company’s joint venture partners or independent contractors if the customer provides affirmative express consent or opt-in consent, necessitating similar language in Missouri’s rule. Staff makes specific language modifications to paragraph (3)(A)1.

MTIA proposes that this section should be revised differently to conform with the FCC rule and state, at the end of the first sentence,

“for the purpose of marketing communications related services to that customer.” MTIA points out that telecommunications companies use joint venture partners and independent contractors for a variety of reasons including, but not limited to, provisioning, billing and customer service functions, where the FCC rules do not apply. MTIA asserts that 47 U.S.C. section 222 states that nothing in the federal CPNI statute prohibits a telecommunications carrier from using CPNI to initiate, render, bill, and collect for telecommunications services and therefore, this revision will bring Missouri’s rule into alignment with federal law and FCC rules.

Verizon further comments that requiring opt-in consent before sharing CPNI with joint venture partners and independent contractors violates the First Amendment; and even if protecting CPNI from this type of sharing was a legitimate concern this is not the most restrictive means.

Staff agrees clarification is needed and proposes using the language of Section 222 of the Telecommunications Act.

XO suggests that the rules’ proposed language concerns confidentiality agreements and contracts with agents, affiliates, independent contractors, and third party vendors, which are over and above the FCC’s rules. However, staff notes that XO is already required to comply with these and the FCC’s provisions.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: This section will be modified by incorporating the language of Section 222 of the Telecommunications Act as more fully set forth below.

COMMENT #6: Staff notes that a reference to the new authentication procedures, found in the proposed amendment at 4 CSR 240-33.160(4)(C)8., which must be met prior to CPNI disclosure to a customer, was added to this paragraph. AT&T commented that the added phrase is misplaced, while XO stated the language was also confusing and potentially misleading. Staff suggests that the language be changed from “and subject to” to “or following.”

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: This change will be made as set forth below.

COMMENT #7: AT&T proposes the language in this section be revised to better mirror the FCC’s rules and include within the body of subparagraph (5)(A)1.A., and part (5)(A)1.A.(III), the language “based on a customer-initiated telephone contact.” Verizon suggests this subsection be amended to make it clear that this requirement only applies to inbound calls, consistent with the FCC rules; while Verizon recommends that part (5)(A)1.A.(II) of the rule be amended to clarify that any CPNI can be sent to the customer’s address or telephone number of record.

Within subparagraph (5)(A)2.A., Verizon proposes to add the word “online” to read as follows: “A telecommunications company shall authenticate a customer without the use of readily available biographical information or account information prior to allowing customer online access to CPNI related to a telecommunications service account.”

Staff does not recommend any changes to this section because the language suggested by AT&T and Verizon is already included as headings to the subsections.

RESPONSE: No change will be made as a result of this comment.

COMMENT #8: AT&T notes a typographical error in subparagraph (5)(C)1.C., where the word “to” should be changed to the word “or.” Staff and others agree with this edit.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: This change will be made as set forth below.

COMMENT #9: AT&T comments that the proposed breach notification in section (8) appears to conflict with the new FCC requirement that carriers notify certain law enforcement agencies of breaches and prohibits carriers from publicly disclosing such breaches until at least seven (7) business days after that notification, to avoid impeding an investigation or national security. AT&T asserts that the FCC

itself is not to receive notice of such breaches and suggests that this section be deleted. AT&T proposes amending this section’s language to require notification of CPNI breaches concurrent with carrier notification to customers.

MTIA asserts that this subsection be deleted in its entirety because it conflicts with provisions in the FCC rule requiring initial and exclusive notification to the FBI and United States Secret Service (USSS), along with the ability to prohibit disclosure during the relevant investigation. MTIA further suggests that, at the very least, the rule be amended to include a secure notification process and treat notifications as Highly Confidential under commission rules to prevent disclosure prohibited by the FCC’s rule. XO suggested the commission require notice of CPNI breaches on the same schedule as the FCC rules, and allow more than seven (7) days to report breaches.

In response to these comments, staff suggests that the language be revised to require notification of breach no later than fourteen (14) days, under a highly confidential designation, to the commission via electronic mail sent to specific commission staff. Other commenters agreed that this would satisfy their concerns.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: Having reviewed the comments and testimony concerning the difficulties inherent in the requirement that carriers notify the commission after each breach, the commission believes that a single annual report of compliance with this rule is more appropriate and cost-effective for those carriers who will be subject to this rule. Therefore, the entire proposed section (8) on breaches is deleted, and an annual report requirement is included in new subsection (7)(F).

4 CSR 240-33.160 Customer Proprietary Network Information

(1) Definitions. For the purposes of 4 CSR 240-33.160, the following definitions are applicable:

(C) Categories of service include local exchange telecommunications services and interexchange telecommunications services;

(D) Communications-related services are telecommunications services, information services typically provided by telecommunications companies, and services related to the provision or maintenance of customer premises equipment;

(E) Control (including the terms “controlling,” “controlled by,” and “common control”) is the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct, or to cause the direction of the management or policies of an entity, whether such power is exercised through one (1) or more intermediary entities, or alone, or in conjunction with, or pursuant to an agreement with, one (1) or more other entities, whether such power is exercised through a majority or minority ownership or voting of securities, common directors, officers or stockholders, voting trusts, holding trusts, affiliated entities, contract or any other direct or indirect means. The commission shall presume that the beneficial ownership of ten percent (10%) or more of voting securities or partnership interest of an entity constitutes control for purposes of this rule;

(F) Customer is a person or entity to which the telecommunications company is currently providing service;

(G) Customer proprietary network information (CPNI) is information that relates to the quantity, technical configuration, type, destination, location, and amount of use of a telecommunications service subscribed to by any customer of a telecommunications company, and that is made available to the telecommunications company by the customer solely by virtue of the customer-telecommunications company relationship. Customer proprietary network information also is information contained in bills pertaining to basic local exchange telecommunications service or interexchange telecommunications service received by a customer of a telecommunications company. Customer proprietary network information does not include subscriber list information;

(H) Customer premises equipment (CPE) is equipment employed on the premises of a person (other than a carrier) to originate, route, or terminate telecommunications;

(I) Independent contractor is a third party who contracts with a telecommunications company for the provision of services to the telecommunications company, but who is not controlled by the telecommunications company;

(J) Information service is the offering of a capability for generating, acquiring, storing, transforming, processing, retrieving, utilizing, or making available information via telecommunications, and includes electronic publishing, but does not include any use of any such capability for the management, control, or operation of a telecommunications system or the management of a telecommunications service;

(K) Information services typically provided by telecommunications companies are only those information services as defined in subsection (1)(J) that are typically provided by telecommunications companies, such as Internet access or voice mail services. Information services typically provided by telecommunications companies as used in this rule shall not include retail consumer services provided using Internet websites (such as travel reservation services or mortgage lending services), whether or not such services may otherwise be considered to be information services;

(L) Joint venture partner is a third party that agrees to share with a telecommunications company in the profits and losses of a business entity formed by the telecommunications company and the third party;

(M) Local exchange telecommunications company (LEC) is any company engaged in the provision of local exchange or exchange access telecommunications services;

(N) Opt-in approval is a method for obtaining customer consent to use, disclose, or permit access to the customer's CPNI. This approval method requires that the telecommunications company obtain from the customer affirmative, express consent allowing the requested CPNI usage, disclosure, or access after the customer is provided appropriate notification of the telecommunications company's request consistent with the requirements set forth in this rule;

(O) Opt-out approval is a method for obtaining customer consent to use, disclose, or permit access to the customer's CPNI. Under this approval method, a customer is deemed to have consented to the use, disclosure, or access to the customer's CPNI if the customer has failed to object thereto within a thirty (30)-day minimum period of time after the customer is provided appropriate notification of the telecommunications company's request for consent consistent with these rules. A telecommunications company may, in its discretion, provide for a longer period. Telecommunications companies must notify customers as to the applicable waiting period for a response before approval is assumed;

(P) Party is a participant in, or an agent or designee acting on behalf of and for the benefit of a participant to a transaction in which an end-user's CPNI is sold, transferred, shared or otherwise disseminated;

(Q) Public safety answering point (PSAP) is a communications location used by public safety agencies for answering emergency telephone service calls which originate in a given area. A PSAP may be designated as primary or secondary, which refers to the order in which calls are directed for answering. PSAPs may be located at police, fire or emergency medical service communications centers, or may be located in a specialized centralized communications center which handles all emergency communications for an area;

(R) Subscriber list information (SLI) is any information identifying the listed names of subscribers of a telecommunications company and such subscribers' telephone numbers, addresses, or primary advertising classifications (as such classifications are assigned at the time of the establishment of such service), or any combination of such listed names, numbers, addresses, or classifications; and that the telecommunications company or an affiliate has published, caused to be published, or accepted for publication in any directory format;

(S) Telecommunications company is used as defined in section 386.020, RSMo 2000;

(T) Telecommunications service is used as defined in section 386.020, RSMo 2000;

(U) Third party is a company not owned or controlled by or owning or controlling a telecommunications company. The third party usually operates outside the market in which a telecommunications company operates and does not provide communications-related services.

(3) Approval Required for Use of CPNI.

(A) Use of Opt-Out and Opt-In Approval Process.

1. A telecommunications company shall obtain opt-in approval from a customer before disclosing that customer's CPNI to the telecommunications company joint venture partners or independent contractors. Nothing in this section prohibits a telecommunications carrier from using, disclosing, or permitting access to customer proprietary network information obtained from its customers, either directly or indirectly through its agents to initiate, render, bill and collect for telecommunications services. Any disclosure to joint venture partners and independent contractors for purposes other than those specifically listed above shall be subject to the safeguards set forth in paragraph (3)(A)3. below.

2. A telecommunications company may, subject to opt-out approval or opt-in approval, use its customer's individually identifiable CPNI for the purpose of marketing communications-related services to that customer. A telecommunications company may, subject to opt-out approval or opt-in approval, disclose its customer's individually identifiable CPNI, for the purpose of marketing communications-related services to that customer, to its agents and its affiliates that provide communications-related services. A telecommunications company may also permit such persons or entities to obtain access to such CPNI for such purposes. Any such disclosure to or access provided to agents and affiliates shall be subject to the safeguards set forth in paragraph (3)(A)3. below. A telecommunications company may elect not to apply the safeguards set forth in paragraph (3)(A)3. below, however, if the telecommunications company so elects, then it shall be held responsible if its agents or affiliates further use, allow access to, or disclose customers' CPNI.

3. Agents/affiliates/joint venture/contractor safeguards. A telecommunications company that discloses or provides access to CPNI to its agents, affiliates, joint venture partners or independent contractors pursuant to paragraphs (3)(A)1. and 2. above shall enter into confidentiality agreements with those agents, affiliates, joint venture partners, or independent contractors that comply with the following requirements. The confidentiality agreement shall:

A. Require that those agents, affiliates, joint venture partners, or independent contractors use the CPNI only for the purpose of marketing or providing the communications-related services for which that CPNI has been provided;

B. Disallow the agents, affiliates, joint venture partners, or independent contractors from using, allowing access to, or disclosing the CPNI to any other party, unless required to make such disclosure under force of law; and

C. Require that the agents, affiliates, joint venture partners, and independent contractors have appropriate protections in place to ensure the ongoing confidentiality of customers' CPNI.

(4) Customer Notification Requirements.

(C) Content of Notice. Customer notification must provide sufficient information to enable the customer to make an informed decision as to whether to permit a carrier to use, disclose, or permit access to, the customer's CPNI.

1. The notification must state that the customer has a right, and the telecommunications company a duty, under federal and state law, to protect the confidentiality of CPNI.

2. The notification must specify the types of information that constitute CPNI and the specific entities that will receive the CPNI, describe the purposes for which CPNI will be used, and inform the

customer of his or her right to disapprove those uses, and deny or withdraw access to CPNI at any time.

3. The notification must advise the customer of the precise steps the customer must take in order to grant or deny access to CPNI, and must clearly state that a denial of approval will not affect the provision of any services to which the customer subscribes. However, companies may provide a brief statement, in clear and neutral language, describing consequences directly resulting from the lack of access to CPNI.

4. The notification shall be comprehensible and shall not be misleading.

5. If written notification is provided, the notice must be clearly legible, use at least a ten (10)-point font, and be placed in an area so as to be readily apparent to a customer.

6. If any portion of a notification is translated into another language, then all portions of the notification must be translated into that language.

7. A telecommunications company may state in the notification that the customer's approval to use CPNI may enhance the telecommunications company's ability to offer products and services tailored to the customer's needs. The notification required under subsection (4)(C) shall be in a font size no smaller than such statement.

8. A telecommunications company also may state in the notification that it may be compelled to disclose CPNI to any person upon affirmative written request by the customer or following the appropriate authentication procedures as described in section (5) below.

9. A telecommunications company may not include in the notification any statement attempting to encourage a customer to freeze third party access to CPNI.

10. The notification must state that any approval, or denial of approval for the use of CPNI outside of the service to which the customer already subscribes to from that telecommunications company is valid until the customer affirmatively revokes or limits such approval or denial.

11. A telecommunications company's solicitation for approval must include a notification of a customer's CPNI rights. The CPNI rights must be in close proximity to the solicitation.

(5) Requirements Specific to Customer-Initiated Contacts.

(C) Notification of Account Changes.

1. Telecommunications companies shall notify customers immediately whenever a password, customer response to a back-up means of authentication for lost or forgotten passwords, online account, or address of record is created or changed.

A. Notification is not required when the customer initiates service, including the selection of a password at service initiation.

B. Notification may be through a company-originated voice-mail or text message to the telephone number of record or by mail to the address of record.

C. Notification shall not reveal the changed information or be sent to the new account information.

(7) Safeguards Required for Use of Customer Proprietary Network Information.

(F) A telecommunications company shall have an officer, as an agent of the company, sign and file with the commission a compliance certificate on an annual basis. The officer shall state in the certification that he or she has personal knowledge that the company has established operating procedures that are adequate to ensure compliance with the rules in this section. The company shall provide a statement accompanying the certificate explaining how its operating procedures ensure that it is or is not in compliance with the rules in this section. In addition, the company shall include an explanation of any actions taken against any individual or entity that unlawfully obtains, uses, discloses, or sells CPNI and a summary of all customer complaints received in the past year concerning the unauthorized release of CPNI. This filing must be made annually with the commission on or before March 1, for data pertaining to the previous calendar year.

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of a Proposed Rulemaking)
to Amend 4 CSR 240-33.160, Customer) Case No. TX-2008-0090
Proprietary Network Information)

**OPINION OF COMMISSIONER ROBERT M. CLAYTON III,
CONCURRING, IN PART, AND DISSENTING, IN PART**

This Commissioner believes protecting telephone customers' private calling and billing information, known as "customer proprietary network information," (CPNI) is of the utmost importance. The Commission's CPNI rules addressing the unauthorized release of private information, whether intentional or by mistake, need to be regularly evaluated and updated to firmly assert the Commission's jurisdiction to protect consumers. Telecommunications companies must be held to a high standard in protecting their customers and those who violate Commission rules should be penalized as authorized by law. The Commission has before it an updated rule, including provisions for Commission notification in the event of a breach of confidential information to third parties. This Commissioner supports the adoption of the final rule but believes the Commission should have rejected the proposed amendment which effectively abandons the Commission's role in privacy enforcement at the time of known breaches of confidentiality.

A meaningful CPNI rule should include a section dealing with Commission notification of breaches of customers' CPNI. The rule proposed by staff contained such a provision that would have required telecommunications

companies to notify the Commission within 14 days of the breach. A breach has occurred when a person, without authorization or exceeding authorization, has intentionally gained access to, used or disclosed CPNI. The abandoned language merely required inexpensive electronic notification of Commission staff of inappropriate releases of customers' CPNI. The information would have been deemed highly confidential while staff evaluated whether the telecommunications carrier was complying with the Commission's CPNI rules and determining whether the Commission should take any enforcement action, such as a complaint. Assuming this is purely a law enforcement matter ignores the actions or omissions of the carriers. The Commission must hold the carriers to the highest standards, and the circumstances involving a breach require the Commission to review the carriers' practices.

The alternate language adopted by the majority in place of direct notification is inadequate for the Commission to improve customer protections. First, rather than notify the Commission upon individual breaches of security, the substitute language requires only that the carrier annually file a report of compliance with the Commission. Second, notifications of breach will be made in an untimely manner. Reports are due once a year on March 1st and, if a breach occurs on March 2nd of the same year, the Commission will be unaware of the breach until the next filing, one year later. Timely Commission notification is necessary for timely corrective action.

Further, the mandated report lacks specific reporting requirements. While the report requires that an officer certify that the company has procedures that

"are adequate" to comply with this rule and state how the procedures ensure compliance with the rule, very little detail is required to support the conclusory statements. Specifically related to "breaches," the annual report requires the company to generally disclose instances of an individual or entity that unlawfully obtained, used, disclosed or sold CPNI. The report requires general disclosure of whether customers did or did not have complaints about the release of unauthorized CPNI, although the report does not address the issue when customers are not aware of the breach. General observations will not give the Commission staff sufficient detail to identify good or bad practices.

The public expects that the Commission will be aware of this information and will use it to evaluate and improve the carriers' best practices. While this Commissioner has confidence that law enforcement will address some instances of privacy breaches, this Commission should not rely exclusively on Washington when protecting the public interest.

In conclusion, it has been argued that with the recent passage of HB1779 in the General Assembly, these rules will have no effect on the largest telecommunications carriers in the state and that this will be an unfair burden on the remaining operators. While this Commissioner agrees that the three largest ILECs and many CLECs may avoid all state mandates on privacy, this Commission must move forward with constructive policy in the public interest. State regulation of telecommunications may return in the future, and the Commission must have its rules in place should that ever occur. Commission waivers can address issues of unfairness and instances of undue burden or cost.

This Commissioner supports the remaining provisions of the rule and concurs, in part, however, for the foregoing reasons, this Commission dissents, in part.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert M. Clayton III, Commissioner

Dated this 20th day of May 2008,
At Jefferson City

**Title 5—DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND
SECONDARY EDUCATION
Division 80—Teacher Quality and Urban Education
Chapter 800—Educator Certification**

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the State Board of Education under sections 168.011, 168.405, and 168.409, RSMo 2000 and sections 161.092, 168.021, 168.071, 168.081, and 168.400, RSMo Supp. 2007, the board amends a rule as follows:

5 CSR 80-800.200 is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 3, 2008 (33 MoReg 525-526). The section with changes is reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The board received seven (7) letters of comment on the proposed amendment.

COMMENT: School psychologists from seven (7) schools submitted comments to clarify section (7).

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The board considered the comments and has agreed to change the wording in section (7).

5 CSR 80-800.200 Application for Certificate of License to Teach

(7) In addition to all the above criteria, an applicant for a Missouri certificate of license to teach who has successfully obtained certification by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS), or for school psychologists, the certificate of nationally certified school psychologist issued by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP), and possesses good moral character may be granted a Missouri certificate of license to teach in their area of NBPTS or NASP certification most closely aligned with the current areas of certification approved by the board. The certificate of license to teach will be an initial professional classification or a career continuous professional classification (CCPC), if the applicant possesses four (4) years of teaching experience.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the State Board of Education under sections 168.011, 168.405, and 168.409, RSMo 2000 and sections 161.092, 168.021, 168.071, 168.081, and 168.400, RSMo Supp. 2007, the board amend a rule as follows:

5 CSR 80-800.220 Application for Certificate of License to Teach for Administrators **is amended.**

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 3, 2008 (33 MoReg 526). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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SECONDARY EDUCATION
Division 80—Teacher Quality and Urban Education
Chapter 800—Educator Certification**

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the State Board of Education under section 168.011, RSMo 2000 and sections 161.092, 168.021, 168.071, 168.081, and 168.400, RSMo Supp. 2007, the board amends a rule as follows:

5 CSR 80-800.230 Application for a Student Services Certificate of License to Teach **is amended.**

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 3, 2008 (33 MoReg 526). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the State Board of Education under section 168.011, RSMo 2000 and sections 161.092, 168.021, 168.071, 168.081, and 168.083, RSMo Supp. 2007, the board amends a rule as follows:

5 CSR 80-800.260 Temporary Authorization Certificate of License to Teach **is amended.**

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 3, 2008 (33 MoReg 526-527). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the State Board of Education under section 168.011, RSMo 2000 and sections 161.092, 168.021, 168.071, and 168.081, RSMo Supp 2007, the board amends a rule as follows:

5 CSR 80-800.270 Application for a Career Education Certificate of License to Teach **is amended.**

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 3, 2008 (33 MoReg 527). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed

amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the State Board of Education under section 168.011, RSMo 2000 and sections 161.092, 168.021, 168.071, and 168.081, RSMo Supp. 2007, the board amends a rule as follows:

5 CSR 80-800.280 Application for an Adult Education and Literacy Certificate of License to Teach **is amended**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 3, 2008 (33 MoReg 527-528). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the State Board of Education under section 168.011, RSMo 2000 and sections 161.092, 168.021, 168.071, 168.081, and 168.400, RSMo Supp. 2007, the board amends a rule as follows:

5 CSR 80-800.350 Certificate of License to Teach Content Areas **is amended**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 3, 2008 (33 MoReg 528). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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Division 80—Teacher Quality and Urban Education
Chapter 800—Educator Certification**

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the State Board of Education under sections 168.011, 168.128, 168.405, and 168.409, RSMo 2000 and sections 161.092, 168.021, 168.071, 168.081, and 168.400, RSMo Supp. 2007, the board amends a rule as follows:

5 CSR 80-800.360 is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 3, 2008 (33 MoReg 528-529). The section with changes is reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The State Board of Education (board) received seven (7) letters of comment on the proposed amendment.

COMMENT: School psychologists from seven (7) schools submitted comments to clarify section (7).

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The board considered the comments and has agreed to change the wording in section (7).

5 CSR 80-800.360 Certificate of License to Teach Classifications

(7) Career Continuous Professional Classification (CCPC):

(C) The CCPC holder is exempt from the fifteen (15) contact hours of professional development, if the holder has a local professional development plan in place with the school and at least two (2) of the following:

1. Ten (10) years of state-approved teaching experience;
2. A master's degree from an accredited college or university; and/or
3. Certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, or for school psychologists, the certificate of nationally certified school psychologist issued by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP).

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Chapter 800—Educator Certification**

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the State Board of Education under sections 168.011, 168.405, and 168.409, RSMo 2000 and sections 161.092, 168.021, 168.071, 168.081, and 168.400, RSMo Supp. 2007, the board amends a rule as follows:

5 CSR 80-800.380 Required Assessments for Professional Education Certification in Missouri **is amended**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 3, 2008 (33 MoReg 529). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

**Title 5—DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND
SECONDARY EDUCATION
Division 80—Teacher Quality and Urban Education
Chapter 850—Professional Development**

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the State Board of Education under sections 160.720 and 161.092, RSMo Supp. 2007, the board rescinds a rule as follows:

5 CSR 80-850.045 Mentoring Programs Standards is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 3, 2008 (33 MoReg 529-530). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

**Title 5—DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND
SECONDARY EDUCATION
Division 80—Teacher Quality and Urban Education
Chapter 850—Professional Development**

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the State Board of Education under sections 160.720, 161.092, and 161.375, RSMo Supp. 2007, the board adopts a rule as follows:

5 CSR 80-850.045 is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 3, 2008 (33 MoReg 530-534). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The State Board of Education (board) received four (4) letters of comment on the proposed rule.

COMMENT #1: Missouri State Teachers Association (MSTA) submitted a comment to paragraph (1)(D)1. to clarify that mentors have a minimum of three (3) years of experience.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The board considered the comment and has clarified the wording in paragraph (1)(D)1.

COMMENT #2: MSTa submitted a comment to paragraph (1)(G)3. to allow districts to use a coaching model as well as three (3) direct mentor meetings.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The board considered the comment and, as some districts do use a coaching model, has agreed to change the wording in paragraph (1)(G)3.

COMMENT #3: MSTa submitted four (4) suggestions for clarification of Appendix A.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The board considered the comments and has agreed to modify the wording regarding the following: Training: Principal; Documentation: District, PDC and School Board; Evaluation of Mentoring Process: District, PDC and School Board; Professional Development Plan: Mentor or Professional Development Committee.

COMMENT #4: Missouri National Education Association (MNEA) President Chris Guinther, as a member of the mentoring work committee, submitted a comment regarding the inclusion of teacher standards.

RESPONSE: No change is proposed. The board is aware of recommendations from various groups regarding teaching standards; however, the statute specifically addressed mentoring standards, not teaching standards.

COMMENT #5: Donna Gardner, college professor, submitted a comment regarding paragraph (1)(D)9. noting the importance of the

principal and Professional Development Committee (PDC) members working together in assigning mentors.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The wording of paragraph (1)(D)9. was changed accordingly.

COMMENT #6: Donna Collins, teacher, suggested that teaching standards be developed and included in the mentoring standards rule.

RESPONSE: No change is proposed. The board is aware of recommendations from various groups regarding teaching standards; however, the statute specifically addressed mentoring standards, not teaching standards.

COMMENT #7: Mr. Ben Simmons, executive director of Missouri National Education Association, proposed changing paragraph (1)(D)9. by deleting “/or” in “and/or” as it weakens the assignment of mentors.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The wording of paragraph (1)(D)9. was changed accordingly.

COMMENT #8: Mr. Simmons also recommended the inclusion of teaching standards.

RESPONSE: No change is proposed. The board is aware of recommendations from various groups regarding teaching standards; however, the statute specifically addressed mentoring standards, not teaching standards.

COMMENT #9: Mr. Simmons further recommended changing the wording of paragraph (1)(C)6. to encourage reflection on the part of the new teacher.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The wording of paragraph (1)(C)6. was changed accordingly.

5 CSR 80-850.045 Mentoring Program Standards

(1) A successful mentoring program will include, but may not be limited to, the standards listed below:

(C) An individualized plan for beginning educators that aligns with the district's goals and needs that:

1. Is aligned with the department's Performance Based Teacher/Educator Evaluation (PBTE) standards;
2. Is a systematic and concise mentoring and professional development plan that prioritizes the immediate and future needs of the new educator;
3. Aligns with district's CSIP and certification requirements;
4. Establishes outcomes for new educators;
5. Is an extension or part of a professional development plan that may have begun during student teaching/internship or culminating project in college;
6. Establishes classroom or on-the-job observations that are guided by practices. Observations should include pre- and post-observation conferences, including reflective questions; and
7. Encourages structured experiences and expectations for all new educators.

(D) Appropriate criteria for selecting mentors that:

1. Should have a minimum of three (3) years of experience;
2. Have traits such as enthusiasm and job commitment;
3. Are committed to self-growth as well as mentoring;
4. Hold a same or similar position/job of grade/subject area (in- or out-of-building/district);
5. May use a mechanism to end pairing if either mentor or protégé is not satisfied;
6. Understand broad educational issues as well as specific teaching/education issues;
7. Have a strong understanding of pedagogy, instructional expertise, and relevant administrative issues;
8. Are available to mentor (release time, fewer additional assignments);
9. Are assigned collaboratively by administrator(s) and local

professional development committee with input from grade-level or department chair; and

10. Are supported in time/effort by administration and school board.

(G) Sufficient time for mentors to observe beginning educators, and for the beginning educators to observe master educators, are structured to provide multiple opportunities over time to minimize the need to require substitute teachers to facilitate observations by:

1. Aligning class schedules and planning periods to complement mentoring duties;

2. Utilizing state and local professional development funds, Career Ladder, or stipends to support mentors' additional duties;

3. Providing release time for coaching, observation, and meeting (minimum of three (3) each year); and

4. Encouraging college support of resources, on-line classes, personal visits, and/or beginning educators' assistance programs.

APPENDIX A

TOPIC	Beginning Teacher	Mentor or Professional Development Committee	Principal	District, PDC and School Board	College or University	DESE, Associations, and Others
SELECTION		PDC collaboratively assists in selection and pairing	Principal or superintendent collaboratively assists in selection and pairing	PDC collaboratively assists in selection and pairing		
TRAINING		Mentor attends training	Attends mentor training and supports mentor and protégé	Provides policy and support for ongoing mentor training program	Provides awareness or expectation for graduates and may provide training for mentors	Provides regional training for mentors with cognitive coaching information
CONTACT	Seeks contact prior to beginning of school year	Contacts protégé and welcomes him/her to community. Confirms first meeting	Contacts protégé and welcomes him/her to community. Arranges first meeting	Provides curriculum guides, handbooks and pertinent grade/subject level information	Instructs student teachers on expectation of mentoring	
COMMUNICATION	Seeks support and assistance with mentor and colleagues	Follows through on contacts and individualizes topics for protégé	Assures mentor and protégé communicate regularly	May provide district-wide opportunities for mentors and protégés	Provides a minimum of annual contact for 1 st & 2 nd year teachers	Supports communication between colleges and new teachers
CONFIDENTIALITY	Maintains confidentiality at all times and appreciates assistance	Maintains confidentiality at all times and reinforces trust	Appreciates mentor/protégé confidentiality and does not undermine effort	Remains neutral party.		
DOCUMENTATION	Maintains log/list of in-service, professional workshops, reading, and organizational activities	Reviews documentation	Reviews formal professional development plan	Keeps required documentation for beginning educators and mentors for verification purposes	May collect data on strength or weakness of first-year teachers	May assist in data collection and review
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN	Maintains and regularly evaluates personal plan; shares with mentor	Assists in development of the PD plan and encourages growth and career advancement	Supports new educators' professional development plans	Protégé and support team complete end-of-year district checklist or assessment	May provide ongoing or advanced coursework	Provides models and workshop opportunities

SUPPORT			Supports time for observation, collaboration & compensation	Formalizes written guidelines, mentor time & resources	Offer support to graduates from any Missouri college	Develops rules and standards
EVALUATION OF MENTORING PROCESS	Participate in formal evaluation of mentoring program	Participate in formal evaluation of mentoring program	Participate in formal evaluation of mentoring program	Develops mentoring assessment/ evaluation tool that aligns with standards and assesses formal evaluation of mentoring and makes revisions	May utilize information to improve preparation programs	Provides models; evaluates for MSIP purposes

Title 10—DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Division 10—Air Conservation Commission
Chapter 6—Air Quality Standards, Definitions, Sampling
and Reference Methods and Air Pollution Control
Regulations for the Entire State of Missouri

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Air Conservation Commission under section 643.050, RSMo 2000, the commission amends a rule as follows:

10 CSR 10-6.020 is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 17, 2008 (33 MoReg 630-643). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The Missouri Department of Natural Resources received three (3) comments on the proposed amendment from two (2) sources: the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and from The Boeing Company.

COMMENT #1: EPA commented that, throughout the rule, there are numerous definitions proposed to be deleted. In order to understand the implications of these deleted definitions, a justification should be provided for each definition stating why the department believes a definition should be deleted from the rule and why the deletion would not negatively impact air quality.

RESPONSE: The definitions being removed from the rule are for terms not used anywhere throughout the *Missouri Code of State Regulations* (CSR) in 10 CSR 10, Chapters 1-6. Because these definitions are not utilized, air quality will not be affected. Therefore, no changes have been made to the proposed amendment text as a result of this comment.

COMMENT #2: EPA commented that in reviewing the changes to the listing of Hazardous Air Pollutants, it was noticed that there was an error in the listing for Methyl bromide (Boimomethane). The listing should be—(Bromomethane)—. Given the length of the list of Hazardous Air Pollutants, it would be advantageous to double-check the listings to ensure their accuracy.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATIONS OF CHANGE: The list of Hazardous Air Pollutants and the list of compounds not considered Volatile Organic Compounds have been double-checked and amended to correct the listing for Methyl bromide (Bromomethane) as well as several other discrepancies discovered when double-checking the list.

COMMENT #3: The Boeing Company commented that the updates to 10 CSR 10-6.020 are important and helpful in making the air rules more clear and precise.

RESPONSE: The department appreciates The Boeing Company's supportive comment on the proposed rulemaking. No changes have been made to the proposed rule text as a result of this comment.

10 CSR 10-6.020 Definitions and Common Reference Tables

(2) Definitions.

(V) All terms beginning with "V."

1. Vapor recovery system—A vapor gathering system capable of collecting the hydrocarbon vapors and gases discharged and a vapor disposal system capable of processing the hydrocarbon vapors and gases so as to limit their emission to the atmosphere.

2. Vapor tight—When applied to a delivery vessel or vapor recovery system as one that sustains a pressure change of no more

than seven hundred fifty (750) pascals (three inches (3") of H₂O) in five (5) minutes when pressurized to a gauge pressure of four thousand five hundred (4,500) pascals (eighteen inches (18") of H₂O) or evacuated to a gauge pressure of one thousand five hundred (1,500) pascals (six inches (6") of H₂O).

3. Varnish—An unpigmented surface coating containing VOC and composed of resins, oils, thinners, and driers used to give a glossy surface to wood, metal, etc.

4. Vehicle—Any mechanical device on wheels, designed primarily for use on streets, roads, or highways, except those propelled or drawn by human or animal power or those used exclusively on fixed rails or tracks.

5. Vinyl coating—The application of a decorative or protective topcoat, or printing or vinyl-coated fabric or vinyl sheet.

6. Visible emission—Any discharge of an air contaminant, including condensibles, which reduces the transmission of light or obscures the view of an object in the background.

7. Volatile organic compounds (VOC)—For all areas in Missouri, VOC means any compound of carbon, excluding carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, carbonic acid, metallic carbides or carbonates, and ammonium carbonate, that participates in atmospheric photochemical reactions to produce ozone.

A. The following compounds are not considered VOCs because of their known lack of participation in the atmospheric reactions to produce ozone:

CAS #	Compound
138495428	1,1,1,2,3,4,4,5,5,5-decafluoropentane (HFC 43-10mee)
431890	1,1,1,2,3,3,3-heptafluoropropane (HFC 227ea)
375031	1,1,1,2,2,3,3-heptafluoro-3-methoxypropane (n-C ₃ F ₇ OCH ₃ , HFE-7000)
690391	1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropane (HFC-236fa)
679867	1,1,2,2,3-pentafluoropropane (HFC-245ca)
24270664	1,1,2,3,3-pentafluoropropane (HFC-245ea)
431312	1,1,1,2,3-pentafluoropropane (HFC-245eb)
460731	1,1,1,3,3-pentafluoropropane (HFC-245fa)
431630	1,1,1,2,3,3-hexafluoropropane (HFC-236ea)
406586	1,1,1,3,3-pentafluorobutane (HFC-365mfc)
422560	3,3-dichloro-1,1,1,2,2-pentafluoropropane (HCFC-225ca)
507551	1,3-dichloro-1,1,2,2,3-pentafluoropropane (HCFC-225cb)
354234	1,2-dichloro-1,1,2-trifluoroethane (HCFC-123a)
1615754	1-chloro-1-fluoroethane (HCFC-151a)
163702076	1,1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4-nonafluoro-4-methoxybutane (C ₄ F ₉ OCH ₃ or HFE-7100)
163702087	2-(difluoromethoxymethyl)-1,1,1,2,3,3,3-heptafluoropropane ((CF ₃) ₂ CFCF ₂ OCH ₃)
163702054	1-ethoxy-1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4-nonafluorobutane (C ₄ F ₉ OC ₂ H ₅ or HFE-7200)
163702065	2-(ethoxydifluoromethyl)-1,1,1,2,3,3,3-heptafluoropropane ((CF ₃) ₂ CFCF ₂ OC ₂ H ₅)

297730939	3-ethoxy-1,1,1,2,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,6-dodecafluoro-2-(trifluoromethyl)hexane (HFE-7500)
71556	1,1,1-trichloroethane (methyl chloroform)
67641	acetone
25497294	1-chloro 1,1-difluoroethane (HCFC-142b)
75456	chlorodifluoromethane (HCFC-22)
593704	chlorofluoromethane (HCFC-31)
76153	chloropentafluoroethane (CFC-115)
63938103	2-chloro-1,1,1,2-tetrafluoroethane (HCFC-124)
75718	dichlorodifluoromethane (CFC-12)
1717006	1,1-dichloro 1-fluoroethane (HCFC-141b)
1320372	1,2-dichloro 1,1,2,2-tetrafluoroethane (CFC-114)
34077877	1,1,1-trifluoro 2,2-dichloroethane (HCFC-123)
75376	1,1-difluoroethane (HFC-152a)
75105	difluoromethane (HFC-32)
74840	ethane
353366	ethylfluoride (HFC-161)
74828	methane
79209	methyl acetate
75092	methylene chloride (dichloromethane)
98566	parachlorobenzotrifluoride (PCBTF)
354336	pentafluoroethane (HFC-125)
127184	perchloroethylene (tetrachloroethylene)
359353	1,1,2,2-tetrafluoroethane (HFC-134)
811972	1,1,1,2-tetrafluoroethane (HFC-134a)
75694	trichlorofluoromethane (CFC-11)
26523648	1,1,2-trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane (CFC-113)
306832	1,1,1-trifluoro 2,2-dichloroethane (HCFC-123)
27987060	1,1,1-trifluoroethane (HFC-143a)
75467	trifluoromethane (HFC-23)
107313	methyl formate (HCOOCH ₃), (1)
	1,1,1,2,2,3,4,5,5,5-decafluoro-3-methoxy-4-trifluoromethyl-pentane (C ₂ F ₅ CF(OCH ₃)CF(CF ₃) ₂ or HFE-7300)
0	Cyclic, branched or linear, completely fluorinated alkanes
0	Cyclic, branched or linear, completely fluorinated ethers with no unsaturations
0	Cyclic, branched or linear, completely methylated siloxanes
0	Cyclic, branched or linear, completely fluorinated tertiary amines with no unsaturations
0	Sulfur-containing perfluorocarbons with no unsaturations and with sulfur bonds only to carbon and fluorine

VOC may be measured by a reference method, an equivalent method, an alternative method, or by procedures specified in either 10 CSR 10-6.030 or 40 CFR 60. These methods and procedures may measure nonreactive compounds, so an owner or operator must exclude these nonreactive compounds when determining compliance.

B. The following compound(s) are considered VOC for purposes of all record keeping, emissions reporting, photochemical dispersion modeling, and inventory requirements which apply to VOC

and shall be uniquely identified in emission reports, but are not VOC for purposes of VOC emissions limitations or VOC content requirements.

CAS #	Compound
540885	t-butyl acetate

(3) General Provisions. Common reference tables are provided in this section of the rule.

(C) Table 3—Hazardous Air Pollutants.

CAS #	Hazardous Air Pollutant
75070	Acetaldehyde
60355	Acetamide
75058	Acetonitrile
98862	Acetophenone
53963	2-Acetylaminofluorene
107028	Acrolein
79061	Acrylamide
79107	Acrylic acid
107131	Acrylonitrile
107051	Allyl chloride
92671	4-Aminobiphenyl
62533	Aniline
90040	o-Anisidine
1332214	Asbestos
71432	Benzene (including from gasoline)
92875	Benzidine
98077	Benzotrifluoride
100447	Benzyl chloride
92524	Biphenyl
117817	Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (DEHP)
542881	Bis(chloromethyl)ether
75252	Bromoform
106990	1,3-Butadiene
156627	Calcium cyanamide
133062	Captan
63252	Carbaryl
75150	Carbon disulfide
56235	Carbon tetrachloride
463581	Carbonyl sulfide
120809	Catechol
133904	Chloramben
57749	Chlordane
7782505	Chlorine
79118	Chloroacetic acid
532274	2-Chloroacetophenone
108907	Chlorobenzene
510156	Chlorobenzilate
67663	Chloroform
107302	Chloromethyl methyl ether
126998	Chloroprene
1319773	Cresols/Cresylic acid (isomers and mixture)
108394	m-Cresol
95487	o-Cresol
106445	p-Cresol
98828	Cumene
94757	2,4-D, salts and esters
3547044	DDE
334883	Diazomethane
132649	Dibenzofurans
96128	1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane
84742	Dibutylphthalate
106467	1,4-Dichlorobenzene(p)
91941	3,3-Dichlorobenzidene
111444	Dichloroethyl ether (Bis(2-chloroethyl)ether)

542756	1,3-Dichloropropene	101779	4,4-Methylenedianiline
62737	Dichlorvos	91203	Naphthalene
111422	Diethanolamine	98953	Nitrobenzene
121697	N,N-Diethyl aniline (N,N-Dimethyl-aniline)	92933	4-Nitrobiphenyl
64675	Diethyl sulfate	100027	4-Nitrophenol
119904	3,3-Dimethoxybenzidine	79469	2-Nitropropane
60117	Dimethyl aminoazobenzene	684935	N-Nitroso-N-methylurea
119937	3,3-Dimethyl benzidine	62759	N-Nitrosodimethylamine
79447	Dimethyl carbamoyl chloride	59892	N-Nitrosomorpholine
68122	Dimethyl formamide	56382	Parathion
57147	1,1-Dimethyl hydrazine	82688	Pentachloronitrobenzene (Quintoben-zene)
131113	Dimethyl phthalate	87865	Pentachlorophenol
77781	Dimethyl sulfate	108952	Phenol
534521	4,6-Dinitro-o-cresol and salts	106503	p-Phenylenediamine
51285	2,4-Dinitrophenol	75445	Phosgene
121142	2,4-Dinitrotoluene	7803512	Phosphine
123911	1,4-Dioxane (1,4-Diethyleneoxide)	7723140	Phosphorus
122667	1,2-Diphenylhydrazine	85449	Phthalic anhydride
106898	Epichlorohydrin (1-Chloro-2,3-epoxypropane)	1336363	Polychlorinated biphenyls (Aroclors)
106887	1,2-Epoxybutane	1120714	1,3-Propane sultone
140885	Ethyl acrylate	57578	beta-Propiolactone
100414	Ethyl benzene	123386	Propionaldehyde
51796	Ethyl carbamate (Urethane)	114261	Propoxur (Baygon)
75003	Ethyl chloride (Chloroethane)	78875	Propylene dichloride (1,2-Dichloro-propane)
106934	Ethylene dibromide (1,2-Dibro-moethane)	75569	Propylene oxide
107062	Ethylene dichloride (1,2-Dichloroethane)	75558	1,2-Propylenimine (2-Methylaziri-dine)
107211	Ethylene glycol	91225	Quinoline
151564	Ethylene imine (Aziridine)	106514	Quinone
75218	Ethylene oxide	100425	Styrene
96457	Ethylene thiourea	96093	Styrene oxide
75343	Ethylidene dichloride (1,1-Dichloroethane)	1746016	2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin
50000	Formaldehyde	79345	1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane
76448	Heptachlor	127184	Tetrachloroethylene (Perchloroethyl-ene)
118741	Hexachlorobenzene	7550450	Titanium tetrachloride
87683	Hexachlorobutadiene	108883	Toluene
77474	Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	95807	2,4-Toluene diamine
67721	Hexachloroethane	584849	2,4-Toluene diisocyanate
822060	Hexamethylene-1,6-diisocyanate	95534	o-Toluidine
680319	Hexamethylphosphoramide	8001352	Toxaphene (chlorinated camphene)
110543	Hexane	120821	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene
302012	Hydrazine	79005	1,1,2-Trichloroethane
7647010	Hydrochloric acid	79016	Trichloroethylene
7664393	Hydrogen fluoride (hydrofluoric acid)	95954	2,4,5-Trichlorophenol
123319	Hydroquinone	88062	2,4,6-Trichlorophenol
78591	Isophorone	121448	Triethylamine
58899	Lindane (all isomers)	1582098	Trifluralin
108316	Maleic anhydride	540841	2,2,4-Trimethylpentane
67561	Methanol	108054	Vinyl acetate
72435	Methoxychlor	593602	Vinyl bromide (bromoethene)
74839	Methyl bromide (Bromomethane)	75014	Vinyl chloride
74873	Methyl chloride (Chloromethane)	75354	Vinylidene chloride (1,1-Dichloroeth-ylene)
71556	Methyl chloroform (1,1,1-Trichloroethane)	1330207	Xylenes (isomers and mixture)
60344	Methyl hydrazine	108383	m-Xylenes
74884	Methyl iodide (Iodomethane)	95476	o-Xylenes
108101	Methyl isobutyl ketone (Hexone)	106423	p-Xylenes
624839	Methyl isocyanate	0	Antimony Compounds
80626	Methyl methacrylate	0	Arsenic Compounds (inorganic including arsine)
1634044	Methyl tert butyl ether	0	Beryllium Compounds
101144	4,4-Methylene bis(2-chloroaniline)	0	Cadmium Compounds
75092	Methylene chloride (Dichloromethane)	0	Chromium Compounds
101688	Methylene diphenyl diisocyanate (MDI)	0	Cobalt Compounds
		0	Coke Oven Emissions

0	Cyanide Compounds ¹
0	Glycol ethers ²
0	Lead Compounds
0	Manganese Compounds
0	Mercury Compounds
0	Fine mineral fibers ³
0	Nickel Compounds
0	Polycyclic Organic Matter ⁴
0	Radionuclides (including radon) ⁵
0	Selenium Compounds

Note: For all listings in this table that contain the word compounds and for glycol ethers, the following applies: Unless otherwise specified, these listings are defined as including any unique chemical substance that contains the named chemical (that is, antimony, arsenic, and the like) as part of that chemical's infrastructure.

¹ X-CN where X-H' or any other group where a formal dissociation may occur, for example, KCN or Ca(CN)₂.

² Includes mono- and diethers of ethylene glycol, diethylene glycol and triethylene glycol R-(OCH₂CH₂)_n-OR' where n = 1, 2, or 3; R = Alkyl or aryl groups; R' = R, H, or groups which, when removed, yield glycol ethers with the structure R-(OCH₂CH₂)_n-OH. Polymers and ethylene glycol monobutyl ether are excluded from the glycol category.

³ Includes glass microfibers, glass wool fibers, rock wool fibers, and slag wool fibers, each characterized as respirable (fiber diameter less than three and one-half (3.5) micrometers) and possessing an aspect ratio (fiber length divided by fiber diameter) greater than or equal to three (3), as emitted from production of fiber and fiber products.

⁴ Includes organic compounds with more than one (1) benzene ring, and which have a boiling point greater than or equal to one hundred degrees Celsius (100°C).

⁵ A type of atom which spontaneously undergoes radioactive decay.

Title 10—DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Division 10—Air Conservation Commission
Chapter 6—Air Quality Standards, Definitions, Sampling
and Reference Methods and Air Pollution Control
Regulations for the Entire State of Missouri

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Air Conservation Commission under section 643.050, RSMo 2000, the commission amends a rule as follows:

10 CSR 10-6.220 is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 17, 2008 (33 MoReg 643-644). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Air Pollution Control Program received four (4) comments on the proposed amendment from four (4) sources: AmerenUE, Empire District Electric Company, Kansas City Power & Light Company, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Due to similar concerns addressed in the following three (3) comments, one (1) response that addresses these concerns can be found at the end of these three (3) comments:

COMMENT #1: AmerenUE questioned whether proposed Procedure 3 in paragraph (5)(A)4. was referenced by mistake and the reference should have been 40 CFR Part 60 Appendix B Performance Specification 1. If proposed Procedure 3 was intended, they believe that the inclusion of the proposed federal test procedure is inappropriate for the following reasons: 1) the method is proposed and will likely change from its current form when finalized and require additional revision to the rule; 2) there is a question of whether the inclusion of a proposed method makes the Missouri rule more stringent than the federal rule since the method has not been finalized; and 3) there is a concern of the additional burden the inclusion of Procedure 3 would place on sources by requiring quarterly audits of continuous opacity monitoring systems.

COMMENT #2: Empire District Electric Company (EDE) commented that implementation of Procedure 3 would increase labor costs and other plant expenses without providing additional benefits to air quality. EDE believes that inclusion of Procedure 3 is inappropriate due to the fact that Procedure 3 is only a proposed method and will likely change from its current form when finalized. EDE also questions whether the inclusion of a proposed method makes the Missouri rule more stringent than the federal rule since the method has not yet been finalized.

COMMENT #3: Kansas City Power & Light (KCP&L) expressed concern over using EPA proposed Procedure 3 because there is every possibility that it could change again before it is adopted as a final rule or it could live on as a proposal without receiving final formal approval. KCP&L is also concerned about the quarterly quality assurance requirements, which they believe are unnecessary and add needless expense.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The original intent was for proposed Procedure 3 to replace proposed Method 203. Procedure 3 was proposed in the *Federal Register* as a test method to replace the proposed Method 203. Subsection (3)(F) of the rule does not require the use of this method, but the department is not opposed to any source using it as EPA intended. When this test method is final, the department plans to update this rule accordingly. The question of whether the inclusion of a proposed method makes the Missouri rule more stringent than the federal rule since the method has not been finalized was raised. Discussions with the Attorney General's Office and the Secretary of State's Office in 1996 concurred with the use of the proposed method in the rule. As a result of concerns expressed in these comments, the original language referring to proposed Method 203 will be kept in the rule so that opacity of visible emissions can be determined by that proposed method until such time that the Continuous Opacity Monitoring System method/procedure is finalized.

COMMENT #4: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) commented that the added incorporation by reference dates varied between July 1, 2006, and July 1, 2007, and should all be July 1, 2007, for consistency purposes.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: As a result of the comment, all text with incorporation by reference language has been reviewed and updated to the latest incorporation by reference language.

10 CSR 10-6.220 Restriction of Emission of Visible Air Contaminants

(1) Applicability. This rule applies to all sources of visible emissions throughout the state of Missouri with the exception of the following:

(H) Emission sources regulated by 10 CSR 10-6.070 and the provisions of 40 CFR part 60, promulgated as of July 1, 2007, and hereby incorporated by reference in this rule, as published by the U.S. Government Printing Office, 732 N Capitol Street NW, Washington,

DC 20401. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions; and

(2) Definitions.

(C) Six (6)-minute period—A three hundred sixty (360) consecutive second time interval. Six (6)-minute block averages shall be utilized for COMS data per the provisions of Appendix B to 40 CFR part 60, Performance Specification 1, promulgated as of July 1, 2007, and hereby incorporated by reference in this rule, as published by the U.S. Government Printing Office, 732 N Capitol Street NW, Washington, DC 20401. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

(5) Test Methods.

(A) Emissions from Stationary Sources—Use one (1) of the following four (4) methods:

1. Qualified observer in accordance with 10 CSR 10-6.030(9), Reference Method 9—Visual Determination of the Opacity of Emissions from Stationary Sources;

2. Qualified observer in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR part 51, Appendix M—Recommended Test Methods, Method 203A—Visual Determination of Opacity of Emissions from Stationary Sources for Time-Averaged Regulations, promulgated as of July 1, 2007, and hereby incorporated by reference in this rule, as published by the U.S. Government Printing Office, 732 N Capitol Street NW, Washington, DC 20401. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions;

3. Qualified observer in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR part 51, Appendix M—Recommended Test Methods, Method 203B—Visual Determination of Opacity of Emissions from Stationary Sources for Time-Exception Regulations, promulgated as of July 1, 2007, and hereby incorporated by reference in this rule, as published by the U.S. Government Printing Office, 732 N Capitol Street NW, Washington, DC 20401. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions; or

4. Continuous Opacity Monitoring System that complies with and is installed, calibrated, maintained, and operated in accordance with proposed Test Method 203—Visual Determination of the Opacity of Emissions from Stationary Sources by Continuous Opacity Monitoring Systems (as proposed in the October 7, 1992, *Federal Register*, Volume 57, pp. 46114-46119).

(B) Emissions from Mobile Internal Combustion Engines—Use a qualified observer in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR part 60, Appendix A—Test Methods, Method 22—Visual Determination of Fugitive Emissions from Material Sources and Smoke Emissions from Flares, promulgated as of July 1, 2007, and hereby incorporated by reference in this rule, as published by the U.S. Government Printing Office, 732 N Capitol Street NW, Washington, DC 20401. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

(C) Fugitive Emissions from Material Sources, Smoke Emissions from Flares and As Required by Permit Condition—Use a qualified observer in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR part 60, Appendix A—Test Methods, Method 22—Visual Determination of Fugitive Emissions from Material Sources and Smoke Emissions from Flares, promulgated as of July 1, 2007, and hereby incorporated by reference in this rule, as published by the U.S. Government Printing Office, 732 N Capitol Street NW, Washington, DC 20401. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

Title 13—DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
Division 70—MO HealthNet Division
Chapter 3—Conditions of Provider Participation,
Reimbursement and Procedure of General Applicability

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the MO HealthNet Division under sections 208.201, 208.431, and 208.435, RSMo Supp. 2007, the division amends a rule as follows:

13 CSR 70-3.170 Medicaid Managed Care Organization
Reimbursement Allowance is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on April 15, 2008 (33 MoReg 785-788). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 19—DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
SENIOR SERVICES
Division 30—Division of Regulation and Licensure
Chapter 20—Hospitals

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Department of Health and Senior Services under section 197.287, RSMo 2000, the department adopts a rule as follows:

19 CSR 30-20.125 Unlicensed Assistive Personnel Training
Program is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 3, 2008 (33 MoReg 550-556). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

This section may contain notice of hearings, correction notices, public information notices, rule action notices, statements of actual costs and other items required to be published in the *Missouri Register* by law.

**Title 7—DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Division 10—Missouri Highways and
Transportation Commission
Chapter 25—Motor Carrier Operations**

IN ADDITION

**7 CSR 10-25.010 Skill Performance Evaluation Certificates for
Commercial Drivers**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice and Request for Comments on Applications for Issuance of Skill Performance Evaluation Certificates to Intrastate Commercial Drivers with Diabetes Mellitus or Impaired Vision

SUMMARY: This notice publishes MoDOT's receipt of applications for the issuance of Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) Certificates from individuals who do not meet the physical qualification requirements in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations for drivers of commercial motor vehicles in Missouri intrastate commerce because of impaired vision or an established medical history or clinical diagnosis of diabetes mellitus currently requiring insulin for control. If granted, the SPE Certificates will authorize these individuals to qualify as drivers of commercial motor vehicles (CMVs), in intrastate commerce only, without meeting the vision standard prescribed in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10), if applicable, or the diabetes standard prescribed in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(3).

DATES: Comments must be received at the address stated below, on or before September 2, 2008.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments concerning an applicant, identified by the application number stated below, by any of the following methods:

- Email:* Kathy.Hatfield@modot.mo.gov
- Mail:* PO Box 893, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0893
- Hand Delivery:* 1320 Creek Trail Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65109
- Instructions:* All comments submitted must include the agency name and application number for this public notice. For detailed instructions on submitting comments, see the Public Participation heading of the Supplementary Information section of this notice. All comments received will be open and available for public inspection, and MoDOT may publish those comments by any available means.

**COMMENTS RECEIVED
BECOME MoDOT PUBLIC RECORD**

- By submitting any comments to MoDOT, the person authorizes MoDOT to publish those comments by any available means.
- Docket:* For access to the department's file, to read background documents or comments received, 1320 Creek Trail Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65109, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except state holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Kathy Hatfield, Motor Carrier Specialist, (573) 522-9001, MoDOT Motor Carrier Services Division, PO Box 893, Jefferson City, MO 65102-

0893. Office hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., CT, Monday through Friday, except state holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Participation

If you want us to notify you that we received your comments, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope or postcard.

Background

The individuals listed in this notice have recently filed applications requesting MoDOT to issue SPE Certificates to exempt them from the physical qualification requirements relating to vision in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10), or to diabetes in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(3), which otherwise apply to drivers of CMVs in Missouri intrastate commerce.

Under section 622.555, *Missouri Revised Statutes* (RSMo) Supp. 2007, MoDOT may issue a Skill Performance Evaluation Certificate, for not more than a two (2)-year period, if it finds that the applicant has the ability, while operating CMVs, to maintain a level of safety that is equivalent to or greater than the driver qualification standards of 49 CFR 391.41. Upon application, MoDOT may renew an exemption upon expiration.

Accordingly, the agency will evaluate the qualifications of each applicant to determine whether issuing a SPE Certificate will comply with the statutory requirements and will achieve the required level of safety. If granted, the SPE Certificate is only applicable to intrastate transportation wholly within Missouri.

Qualifications of Applicants

Application # MP031222018

Applicant's Name & Age: Doyle Gene Hyten, 65
Relevant Physical Condition: Mr. Hyten's best uncorrected visual acuity in his right eye is 20/40 Snellen and his left eye is 20/200 Snellen, due to an injury accident in 1960.

Relevant Driving Experience: Currently retired. He has 22 years previous commercial motor vehicle driving experience.
Drives personal vehicle(s) daily.

Doctor's Opinion & Date: Following an examination in March 2008, his optometrist certified, "In my medical opinion, Mr. Hyten's visual deficiency is stable and has sufficient vision to perform the driving tasks required to operate a commercial motor vehicle, and that his condition will not adversely affect his ability to operate a commercial motor vehicle safely."
Traffic Accidents and Violations: No accidents or violations within the past three (3) years.

Request for Comments

The Missouri Department of Transportation, Motor Carrier Services Division, pursuant to section 622.555, RSMo, and rule 7 CSR 10-25.010, requests public comment from all interested persons on the applications for issuance of Skill Performance Evaluation Certificates described in this notice. We will consider all comments received before the close of business on the closing date indicated earlier in this notice.

Issued on: July 1, 2008

Jan Skouby, Motor Carrier Services Director, Missouri Department of Transportation.

**Title 19—DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
SENIOR SERVICES
Division 60—Missouri Health Facilities Review
Committee
Chapter 50—Certificate of Need Program**

EXPEDITED APPLICATION REVIEW SCHEDULE

The Missouri Health Facilities Review Committee has initiated review of the expedited applications listed below. A decision is tentatively scheduled for August 21, 2008. These applications are available for public inspection at the address shown below:

Date Filed

Project Number: Project Name
City (County)
Cost, Description

07/08/08

#4235 NP: Oakdale Care Center
Poplar Bluff (Butler County)
\$56,000, Long-term care bed expansion through the purchase of 7 skilled nursing facility beds from Lutheran Good Shepherd Home, Concordia (Lafayette County)

07/10/08

#4234 HS: St. Mary's Health Center
Richmond Heights (St. Louis County)
\$1,170,687, Replace cardiac catheterization laboratory

#4238 HS: St. John's Mercy Medical Center
St. Louis (St. Louis County)
\$2,042,642, Replace angiography system

Any person wishing to request a public hearing for the purpose of commenting on these applications must submit a written request to this effect, which must be received by August 11, 2008. All written requests and comments should be sent to:

Chairman
Missouri Health Facilities Review Committee
c/o Certificate of Need Program
Post Office Box 570
Jefferson City, MO 65102

For additional information contact
Donna Schuessler, (573) 751-6403.

The Secretary of State is required by sections 347.141 and 359.481, RSMo 2000 to publish dissolutions of limited liability companies and limited partnerships. The content requirements for the one-time publishing of these notices are prescribed by statute. This listing is published pursuant to these statutes. We request that documents submitted for publication in this section be submitted in camera ready 8 1/2" x 11" manuscript by email to dissolutions@sos.mo.gov.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO ALL CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS AGAINST SUGGAR, L.L.C.

On May 12, 2008, Suggar, L.L.C., filed its Notice of Winding Up with the Missouri Secretary of State.

Suggar, L.L.C. requests that all persons and organizations who have claims against it present them immediately by correspondence to Suggar, L.L.C., c/o Gregory F. Herkert, Attorney at Law, 8000 Maryland Avenue, Suite 1060, St. Louis, Missouri 63105.

All claims must include: the name, address, and telephone number of the Claimant; the amount claimed; the basis for the claim; any supporting documentation; and the dates on which the events on which the claim is based occurred.

All claims against Suggar, L.L.C. will be barred unless a proceeding to enforce the claim is commenced within three (3) years after the publication of this notice.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION TO ALL CREDITORS OF AND CLAIMANTS AGAINST NIFONG FLORIDA PROPERTIES, LLC

On April 22, 2008, the Notice of Winding Up for Nifong Florida Properties, LLC, a Missouri limited liability company (the "Company"), was filed with the Missouri Secretary of State.

All claims against the Company should be presented in writing and sent to the following company at this mailing address:

EPL II, LLC
222 South Central Avenue, Suite 800
Clayton, MO 63105

The claim must contain: (1) the name, address and telephone number of the claimant; (2) the amount of the claim; (3) the basis for the claim; and (4) documentation of the claim.

Any and all claims against the Company will be barred unless a proceeding to enforce the claim is commenced within three years after the publication of this notice.

**NOTICE OF CORPORATE DISSOLUTION TO ALL CREDITORS OF AND
CLAIMANTS AGAINST INNOVATIVE CONNECTIONS, INC.**

On June 20, 2008, Innovative Connections, Inc., a Missouri corporation, filed its Articles of Dissolution with the Missouri Secretary of State. Dissolution was effective upon filing.

You are hereby notified that if you believe you have a claim against Innovative Connections, Inc., you must submit a summary in writing of the circumstances surrounding your claim to Keith K. Grissom, Attorney At Law, LLC, 4704 Prague Ave., St. Louis, MO 63109. The summary of your claim must include the following information:

1. The name, address and telephone number of the claimant;
2. The amount of the claim;
3. The date on which the event on which the claim is based occurred;
4. The basis for the claim together with a brief description of the nature of the claim and copies of any supporting documentation; and
5. Whether the claim is secured and if so, the collateral used as security together with copies of any documents evidencing the claim.

NOTICE: BECAUSE OF THE DISSOLUTION OF INNOVATIVE CONNECTIONS, INC., ANY CLAIMS AGAINST IT WILL BE BARRED UNLESS A PROCEEDING TO ENFORCE THE CLAIM IS COMMENCED WITHIN TWO (2) YEARS AFTER THE PUBLICATION DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THE PUBLICATION DATE OF ANY OTHER NOTICE REQUIRED BY LAW, WHICHEVER IS LATER.

**Rule Changes Since Update to
Code of State Regulations**

This cumulative table gives you the latest status of rules. It contains citations of rulemakings adopted or proposed after deadline for the monthly Update Service to the *Code of State Regulations*, citations are to volume and page number in the *Missouri Register*, except for material in this issue. The first number in the table cite refers to the volume number or the publication year—30 (2005) and 31 (2006). MoReg refers to *Missouri Register* and the numbers refer to a specific *Register* page, R indicates a rescission, W indicates a withdrawal, S indicates a statement of actual cost, T indicates an order terminating a rule, N.A. indicates not applicable, RUC indicates a rule under consideration, and F indicates future effective date.

Rule Number	Agency	Emergency	Proposed	Order	In Addition
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION					
1 CSR 10	State Officials' Salary Compensation Schedule				30 MoReg 2435
1 CSR 10-9.010	Commissioner of Administration		33 MoReg 407	33 MoReg 1087	
1 CSR 10-11.030	Commissioner of Administration		33 MoReg 7	33 MoReg 1087	
1 CSR 15-1.201	Administrative Hearing Commission		This Issue		
1 CSR 15-1.207	Administrative Hearing Commission		This Issue		
1 CSR 15-3.320	Administrative Hearing Commission		This Issue		
1 CSR 15-3.350	Administrative Hearing Commission		This Issue		
1 CSR 15-3.380	Administrative Hearing Commission		This Issue		
1 CSR 15-3.390	Administrative Hearing Commission		This Issue		
1 CSR 15-3.431	Administrative Hearing Commission		This Issue		
1 CSR 15-3.436	Administrative Hearing Commission		This Issue		
1 CSR 15-3.440	Administrative Hearing Commission		This Issue		
1 CSR 15-3.446	Administrative Hearing Commission		This Issue		
1 CSR 15-3.490	Administrative Hearing Commission		This Issue		
1 CSR 70-1.010	Missouri Assistive Technology Advisory Council (<i>Changed to 5 CSR 110-1.010</i>)		33 MoReg 194	33 MoReg 1089	
1 CSR 70-1.020	Missouri Assistive Technology Advisory Council (<i>Changed to 5 CSR 110-1.020</i>)		33 MoReg 197	33 MoReg 1090	
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE					
2 CSR 30-1.020	Animal Health		33 MoReg 1221		
2 CSR 30-2.040	Animal Health		33 MoReg 717		
2 CSR 30-10.010	Animal Health		This Issue		
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07-14	Creates and establishes the Missouri Mentor Initiative, under which up to 200 full-time employees of the state of Missouri are eligible for one hour per week of paid approved work to mentor in Missouri public primary and secondary schools up to 40 hours annually	April 11, 2007	32 MoReg 757
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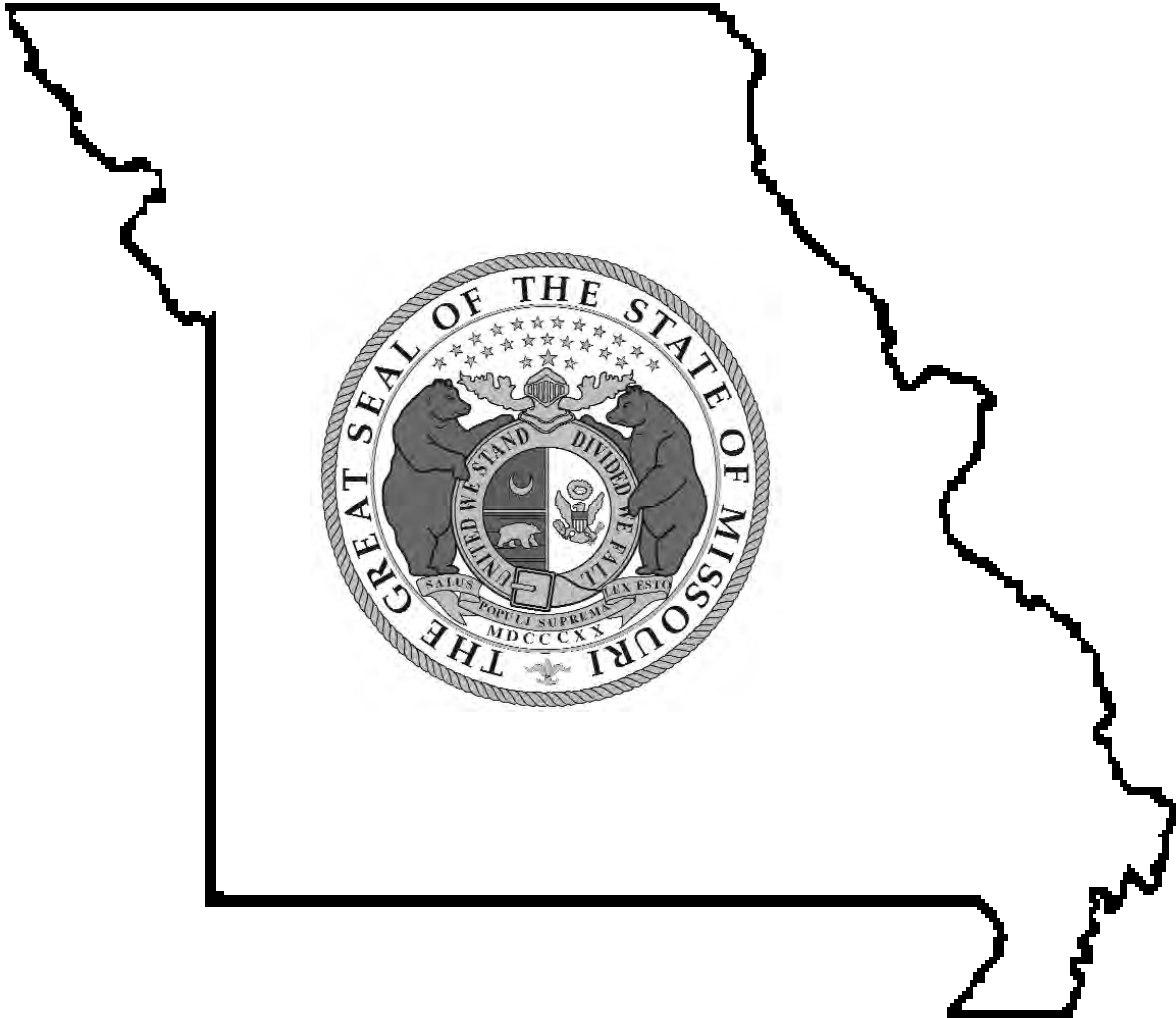
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